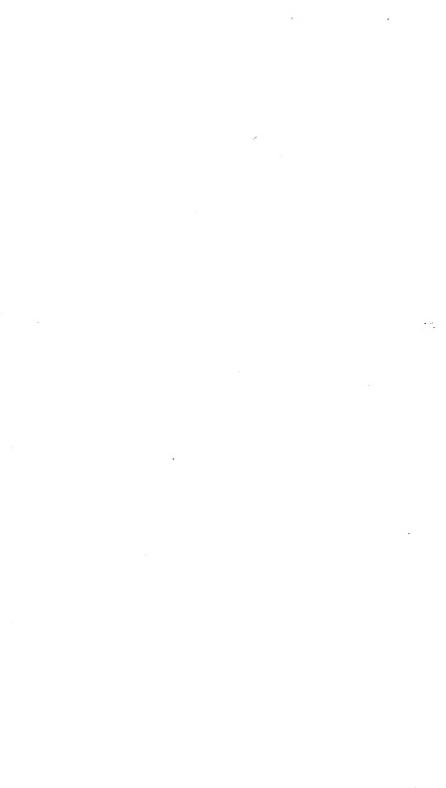
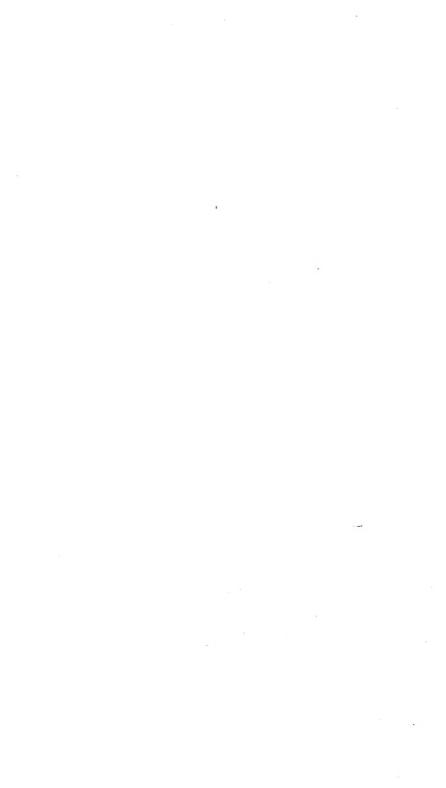


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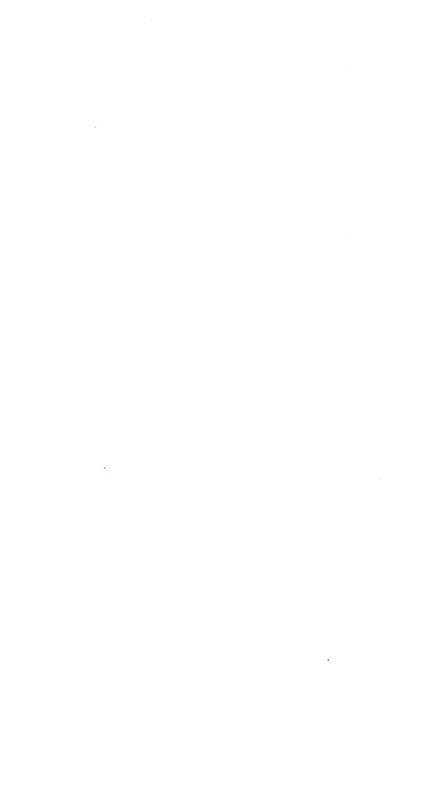




















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OF THE

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To Hon. Ephraim M. Wright, Secretary of the Commonwealth:—

The Bank Commissioners have the honor herewith to submit their Fourth Annual Report:—

The number of banks incorporated in this Commonwealth, at the date of our last annual report, was one hundred and fifty-three; and the amount of bank capital, actually paid in, was \$50,935,650.

During the present year, twenty new banks have been chartered, with an aggregate capital of \$2,500,000, and one of the old banks (the Manufacturers', at Georgetown) has brought its affairs to a close; so that the present number of incorporated banks in Massachusetts is one hundred and seventy-two.

Five of the twenty banks chartered by the last Legislature had not commenced business on the first Monday of December; consequently, the number of banks in actual operation in this Commonwealth, at that time, was one hundred and sixty-seven; of which thirty-eight are in Boston.

The capital stock of thirty-six of the old banks was increased by the last Legislature to the amount of \$4,640,000 00 Which, added to the capital of the new banks, 2,500,000 00 makes the amount of new bank capital authorized

by the Legislature of 1854, . . . \$7,140,000 00

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This amount, however, has not as yet been wholly paid in. The total amount of bank capital in Massachusetts actually paid in, on the first Monday of the present month of December, was \$57,103,843.*

We remark, finally, of the Georgetown Bank, which has had but a qualified existence for the last three years, that the amount of bills of the bank, which now remain out, is three hundred and forty-seven dollars. The bank was in operation from October 25, 1836, to September 30, 1851, the charter expiring on that day. The final dividend to the stockholders, beyond the original capital paid in, was $\$10\frac{58}{100}$ per share. The average annual dividend during the existence of the bank (or while it was in active operation) was about five and seveneighths per cent., and, with the above $\$10\frac{58}{100}$, about six and one-half per cent. for the whole term.

The following tables show the banks incorporated, and those whose capital was increased, by the Legislature of 1854:—

^{*} This sum does not include the capital of the Cochituate Bank.

Banks Incorporated—1854.

Name of Bank	,i			Location.		Authorized Capital.	Capital Paidin Dec. 1.	Remarks.
Monument,		•	ਹੌ 	Charlestown,		\$150,000 00		Not commenced Dec 1
Monson,		•	Mo	Monson, .		150,000 00	877.600	Commenced Oct. 5.
Bass River,		•	Be	Beverly,		100,000 00	57,053	Commenced Oct. 2.
North Bridgewater, .		•	Š —	North Bridgewater,		100,000 00	100,000	Commenced Aug. 31.
Femberton,		•	L E	Lawrence,		. 100,000 00	53,237	Commenced Oct. 13.
City Bank of Lynn, .		•		Lynn,	•		98,612	Commenced Oct. 5.
Grafton,		•	Š.	Grafton,	•		100,000	Commenced Aug. 25.
Conway,		•	<u>ි</u>	Conway,		_	90,654	Commenced Sept. 13.
Merchants',		•	Ϋ́	Lowell,			99,665	Commenced Aug. 5.
City Bank of Worcester,	•	•	Ĭ	Worcester,		200,000 00	200,000	Commenced Sept. 8.
Northborough,	•	•	Š	Northborough, .				Not commenced Dec. 1.
Maverick,		•	Ea	East Boston,	•		373,900	Commenced Sept. 18.
Townsend,		٠	To	Townsend,			80,463	Commenced Sept. 15.
Miller's Kiver,		•	Ath	Athol,			95,962	Commenced Sept. 15
Brighton Market, .		•	Bri	Brighton,		100,000 00	100,000	Commenced Sept. 19.
Frozincetown,		•	Pro	Provincetown, .		100,000 00	`	Not commenced Dec. 1.
Holliston,		•	Ho	Holliston,		100,000 00	67,500	Commenced Oct. 20.
South Keading,		•	Soc	South Reading, .		100,000 00	100,000	Commenced Ang. 5.
Blackstone River, .		•	Bla	Blackstone, .		100,000 00	`	Not commenced Dec. 1.
Vineyard,		•	ਜੂ —	Edgartown,		100,000 00		Not commenced Dec. 1.
Totals,	•	•	•			\$2,500,000 00	\$1,694,613	

Table No. 2. Banks of Increased Capital—1854.

Name of Bank.		Location.		Authorized Increase	Amount Paid in.
Blackstone,		Boston, .		\$400,000 00	All paid.
Boylston,	•	Boston, .	:	100,000 00	All paid.
Broadway,	•	Boston,		50,000 00	7,100 0
Columbian,		Boston, .		250,000 00	200,000 0
Eliot,		Boston, .		450,000 00	146,525 0
Freeman's,		Boston, .		50,000 00	All paid.
Grocers',		Boston, .		250,000 00	150,000 0
Howard Banking (Co., .	Boston, .		250,000 00	
Mechanics',		Boston, .		50,000 00	All paid.
National,		Boston,		450,000 00	315,000 0
Shawmut	•	Boston, .	:	250,000 00	All paid.
Washington, .		Boston, .		250,000 00	200,000 0
Appleton,		Lowell, .		50,000 00	All paid.
Blue Hill,		Dorchester,		50,000 00	All paid.
Bristol County,		Taunton,		100,000 00	All paid.
Bunker Hill,		Charlestown,		100,000 00	All paid.
Central		Worcester,	·	100,000 00	All paid.
Fitchburg,		Fitchburg,		50,000 00	All paid.
Housatonic,	•	Stockbridge,	•	50,000 00	All paid.
John Hancock, .		Springfield,		50,000 00	All paid.
ancaster,		Lancaster,		50,000 00	All paid.
Leicester,		Leicester.		50,000 00	All paid.
Machinists', .		Taunton, .	•	50,000 00	All paid.
Mahaiwe,		Great Barringt	on	50,000 00	All paid.
Mechanics',		New Bedford,	•	200,000 00	All paid.
Metacomet,		Fall River.		200,000 00	All paid.
Neponset,		Canton, .		50,000 00	- para-
Pittsfield,		Pittsfield,	- 1	150,000 00	All paid.
Quinsigamond,	•	Worcester,	•	100,000 00	All paid.
Rockland	•	Roxbury,	:	50,000 00	21,325 0
Rollstone	•	Fitchburg,		50,000 00	All paid.
Southbridge, .	•	Southbridge,	•	50,000 00	All paid.
n '	•	Taunton, .	٠	100,000 00	All paid.
791. [*]		Danvers, .	•	40,000 00	All paid.
TT 1.1		Waltham,.	•	50,000 00	49,250 0
	•	r 11	•	50,000 00	All paid.
Wamesit,	•	Lowell, .	•	50,000 00	An paid.
Totals,				\$1,640,000 00	

The following named Banks, incorporated in 1853, whose Capital. in whole or in part, had not been called in at the date of our last Report, have since received the addition in each case authorized by law, and within the period prescribed:—

Names	of Br	ınks.			Location.		Amount Paid this Year.
Metacomet,		•			Fall River, .		\$195,000 00
Hopkinton, .					Hopkinton, .		100,000 00
Lechmere, .					Cambridge, .		100,000 00
Cambridge City,					Cambridge, .		1,600 00
Wamesit, .					Lowell, .		50,000 00
Eliot, .					Boston, .		150,000 00
Broadway, .	•			•	Boston, .		50,000 00
Rockland, .					Roxbury, .		50,000 00
Pynchon, .			•		Springfield, .		74,500 00
Mount Wollastor	١,				Quincy, .		30,550 00
Spicket Falls,					Methuen, .		50,000 00
Total, .							\$851,650 00
Add am	oun	t pai	d last	yea.	r,		3,348,350 00
Total C	apit	al of	Bank	s ch	artered in 1853,		4,200,000 00

The Amount of Increased Capital granted to pre-existing Banks in 1853 was \$6,310,000, of which \$4,316,800 was called in that year and referred to in our last report. The several additions of this description, made since, are as follows:—

Names of	Banks.			Loca	ation.		Amount paid th	his
Granite,				Boston,			\$36,000	00
Tremont,				Boston,			75,100	00
Barnstable, .				Yarmouth,			50,000	00
Franklin County,				Greenfield,			10,000	00
Hadley Falls, .				Holyoke,			25,000	00
Massasoit,	•			Fall River,			47,100	00
							\$243,200	00
Total paid this year	of in	creas	ed ca	pital granted	l in 1	853,	\$243,200	00
Total paid last year	r,	"		" "	•	16	4,316,800	00
							\$4,560,000	00
Amount of increase	autho	rized	in 1	853, but not	paid	in, .	1,750,000	00
Total increase	autho	rized	in 18	353			\$6,310,000	00

The Banks thus declining to call in the whole or a part of the increase granted in 1853, are the following:—

	Nan	ne of B	ank.		L	ocation	١.		Amount.
Merchants'	, .				Boston,				\$1,000,000 00
Atlas, .					Boston,			-	250,000 00
Shawmut,					Boston,				250,000 00
North,					Boston,				150,000 00
Union,					Boston,			.	100,000 00
								ĺ	\$1,750,000 00

During the year 1854 the Commissioners have examined ninety-eight Banks and thirty-five Savings Institutions. The following table shows what banks have been examined and the date of the examination.

Banks Examined—1854.

Counties.		Cities or Town	s.	Names of Banks.	First day o examinat'n
Suffolk,		Boston,		Columbian, Howard Banking Co., Atlas, Blackstone, Faneuil Hall, Shoe & Leather Dealers', Market, Exchange, National, Boylston, Ellot, North America, Bank of, Cochituate, Cochituate, (second visit,) Tremont, Eagle, Grocers' Webster, Granite, Broadway, Traders', Boston, Merchants', Union,	. " 28 . Feb. 1 . " 7 . " 10 . " 14 . " 16
Essex, .	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Lynn, . Salem, . Salem, . Danvers, . Danvers, . Methuen, . Gloucester, Andover, . Haverhill, . Haverhill, . Lawrence, Beverly, . Marblehead, Marblehead, Salisbury, Salem,		Lynn Mechanics', Mercantile, Asiatic, Warren, Danvers, Spicket Falls, Gloucester, Andover, Essex, Union, Haverhill, Bay State, Beverly, Grand Bank, Marblehead, Powow River, Salem,	. April 1 . " 11 . " 12 . " 13 . " 14 . " 25 . May 12 . July 14, . " 18, . " 20, . Aug. 3 . " 5 . " 14 . " 14 . " 15 . " 14 . " 17 . " 14 . " 17 . " 14 . " 17 . " 18 . " 14 . " 17 . " 18 . "

Banks, Etc.—Continued.

Counties.		Cities or Towns.		Names of Banks.		First day of examinat'n.
MIDDLESEX,	,	Cambridge, Woburn, Cambridge, Cambridge, Waltham, Lowell, Brighton, Cambridge, Lowell, Lowell, Lowell, Framingham, Hopkinton, Brighton,		Railroad,		" 3 June 20 " 27 July 28 " 29 Aug. 1 " 18
Worcester,		Leicester, . Milford, . Worcester, Lancaster, . Uxbridge, Millbury, . Blackstone, Worcester, Grafton, .		Leicester,		" 10 " 24 " 25
Franklin,	.{	Greenfield, Greenfield,		Franklin County, . Greenfield,		June 7
Hampshire,		Ware, . Holyoke, . Northampton,	:	Hampshire Manufacture Hadley Falls, Northampton,	rs',	May 18 June 5 Sept. 26
Hampden,	.{	Springfield, Springfield,		Pynchon, John Hancock,		" 27 Nov. 9
Berkshire,	.{	Pittsfield, . Pittsfield, . North Adams,		Pittsfield, Agricultural,		June 12 " 13 " 15
Norfolk,		Roxbury, . Quincy, . Dedham, . Quincy, . Dorchester, Weymouth, Randolph, Canton, . Wrentham,		Rockland, Mount Wollaston, Dedham, Quincy Stone, Blue Hill, Union Bank of Weymout and Braintree, Randolph, Neponset, Wrentham,	: h }	" 30 April 7 " 21 May 9

Banks, Etc.—Continued.

Counties.		Cities or Towns.	Names of Banks.	First day of examinat'n.
Bristol, .		Taunton, Taunton,	Bristol County, Taunton, Machinists' Attleborough, Metacomet, Massasoit, Bedford Commercial, Fairhaven,	May 23 " 24 " 25 Aug. 22 Oct. 17 " 18 " 31 Nov. 2
Plymouth,	.{	Abington, Hingham, Plymouth, Plymouth, . N. Bridgewater,	Abington,	May 4 June 1 July 5 July 7 Oct. 19
BARNSTABLE,	. {	Yarmouth, . Falmouth, .	Barnstable,	Sept. 1

The banks enumerated in the preceding table have been visited by the Commissioners, as usual, without previous notice to the officers. In general, these institutions have been conducted without hazard to the public, and certainly with benefit to the stockholders, the late high rates of dividends having been almost universally maintained the present year. The spirit of rivalry, in this particular, heretofore glanced at by us, still prevails, and prompts bank officers to indulge in a course of business of a character which will tend to impair, eventually, the profits from which alone dividends can be made, and which already has made inroads upon the current earnings of several banks.

We shall allude, in the progress of this report, to practices of doubtful legality which have come under our notice, and to departures from what we deem the correct line of duty.

The following abstracts will show the condition of the several banks which the Commissioners have visited during the year 1854, at the time of their examination.

ABSTRACTS,

Showing the condition of the Banks visited by the Commissioners during the past year. The date of the examination is placed under the name of the Bank.

COLUMBIAN BANK—BOSTON.

[Jan. 5, 1854.]

Capital,	\$500,000 00	Loan,	\$800,824 54
Profits on Hand,	34,833 01	Real Estate,	-
Bank Balances,	-	Bank Balances,	257,454 08
Circulation,	162,797 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	51,124 00
Deposits,	439,017 50	Specie,	27,244 89
	\$1,136,647 51		\$1,136,647 51
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Immediate Liabilities, .	\$601,814 50	Liabilities of Directors,	\$48,213 83
Immediate Resources, .	335,822 97	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	-

HOWARD BANKING COMPANY—BOSTON.

[Jan. 9, 1854.]

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Capital, .			\$500,000 00	Loan,	\$797,595 3
Profits on hand,			19,091 34	Real Estate,	_
Bank Balances,			109,989 64	Bank Balances, .	49,706 94
Circulation, .		•	254,279 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks, .	121,388 98
Deposits, .	•	•	135,012 53	Specie,	49,681 2
			\$1,018,372 51		\$1,018,372 5
w			\$400.001.1M	Liabilities of Directors	\$148,255 0
Immediate Liabi	lities	, .	\$499,281 17	Loan on Stock of the	
Immediate Reso	urces	s, .	220,777 16	Bank,	21,400 0
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ATLAS BANK-BOSTON.

[JAN. 12, 1854.]

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Capital,		\$500,000 00	Loan, \$343,928 68
Profits on Hand, .		57,950 70	Real Estate,
Bank Balances, .		141,149 57	Bank Balances, 68,840 28
Circulation,		146,469 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks, 58,996 63
Deposits,	•	192,089 05	Specie, 65,892 73
		\$1,037,658 32	\$1,037,658 32
			Liabilities of Directors, \$91,663 00
Immediate Liabilities,		\$479,707 62	
Immediate Resources,		193,729 64	Loan on Stock of the Bank, 20,400 00
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BLACKSTONE BANK-BOSTON.

[JAN. 16, 1854.]

The second second				
Capital,		\$350,000 00	Loan,	\$692,738 38
Profits on Hand, .		29,322 92	Real Estate,	4,000 00
Bank Balances,		409 57	Bank Balances,	175,040 38
Circulation, .		301,080 00 273,245 87	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	64,962 61
Deposits,	•	270,245 07	Specie,	17,31 6 99
		\$954.058 36		\$954,058 36
Immediate Liabilit	ties, .	\$574,735 44	Liabilities of Directors,	\$96,816 00
Immediate Resour	·	257,319 98	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	24,700 00

FANEUIL HALL BANK-BOSTON.

[Jan. 19, 1854.]

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Capital, .			\$500,000	00	Loan, \$1,020,349 65
Profits on Hand,			42,298	93	Real Estate, –
Bank Balances,			90,355	42	Bank Balances, 93,298 19
Circulation, .			293,249	00	Checks and Bills of
Deposits, .			299,496	80	other Banks, 81,765 55
					Specie, 29,986 76
			\$1,225,400	15	\$1,225,400 15
					Section 10.15 to 0.05
Immediate Liabi	lities		\$683,101	99	Liabilities of Directors, \$145,124 00
Immediate Masi	iitics,	•	\$000,101	~~	Loan on Stock of the
Immediate Resou	irces		205,050	50	Bank, 12,300 00

SHOE AND LEATHER DEALERS' BANK—BOSTON.

[JAN. 24, 1854.]

Capital, .		\$1,000,000 00	Loan,	. \$1,716,290 04
Profits on Hand,		148,544 30	Real Estate, .	. 59,793 08
Bank Balances,		343,872 08	Bank Balances, .	. 66,372 82
Circulation, .		216,484 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks, .	of 104,493 49
Deposits, .		319,214 12	Specie,	. 81,165 07
		\$2,028,114 50		\$2,028,114 50
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Immediate Liabili	ties.	\$879,570 20	Liabilities of Directors	\$194,456 00
Immediate Resour	,	252,031 38	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	150 00

MARKET BANK-BOSTON.

[JAN. 28, 1854.]

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Capital, .			\$560,000 00	Loan,			\$1,057,137 37
Profits on Hand,			121,977 96	Real Estate,			471 28
Bank Balances,			129,700 46	Bank Balance	s, .		59,263 93
Circulation, .			212,241 00	Checks and other Banks		of •	143,843 43
Deposits, .	•	•	286,829 56	Specie, .			50,032 97
			\$1,310,748 98	and Principles And Principles And Andrews Andr			\$1,310,748 98
			PORTURE SERVICE PROPERTY OF STREET	į			
Turnalista Tiabili	:4:07		\$639.771 0a	Liabilities of 1	Directo	ors,	\$103,042 00
Immediate Liabili	mes,	٠	\$628,771 02	Loan on Stoo	ek of	the	
Immediate Resou	rces	, .	253,140 33	Bank, .		•	_

EXCHANGE BANK-BOSTON.

[FEB. 1, 1854.]

Capital, .			\$1,000,000 00	Loan,	\$1,999,729	6 5
Profits on Hand,			151,114 10	Real Estate,	_	
Bank Balances,			384,530 18	Bank Balances,	100,759	40
Circulation, .		•	,	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	264,406	96
Deposits, .	•	٠	567,356 43	Specie,	105,752	70
			32,470,648 71		\$2,470,648	71
					DISTRIBUTION OF THE PARTY OF TH	-
Immediate Liabil	ities		\$1,319,534 61	Liabilities of Directors,	\$192,144	00
Immediate Resou	ĺ		470,919 06	Lean on Stock of the Bank,	-	

NATIONAL BANK-BOSTON.

[Feb. 7, 1854.]

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Capital,		\$300,000 00	Loan,	\$588,102 71
Profits on Hand, .		16,666 10	Real Estate,	_
Bank Balances, .		64,000 00	Bank Balances,	63,014 83
Circulation,		201,480 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	57,630 88
Deposits,	•	149,872 68	Specie,	23,270 36
		\$732,018 78		\$732,018 7 8
Immediate Liabilities,		\$415,352 68	Liabilities of Directors,	\$80,339 00
Immediate Resources,		143,916 07	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	~

BOYLSTON BANK-BOSTON.

[FEB. 10, 1854.]

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Capital,		\$300,000	00	Loan, \$599,679 53
Profits on Hand, .		36,928 8	85	Real Estate,
Bank Balances, .		165 (0 7	Bank Balances, 187,139 17
Circulation,		188,499 (00	Checks and Bills of other Banks, 11,082 91
Deposits,	•	282,422 3	31	Specie, 10,113 62
		\$808,015	23	\$808,015 23
				Liabilities of Directors, \$48,516 53
Immediate Liabilitie	s, .	\$471,086 3	38	Loan on Stock of the
Immediate Resource	s, .	208,335 7	70	Bank, 18,800 00
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ELIOT BANK-BOSTON.

[Feb. 14, 1854.]

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Capital, .			\$300,000	00	Loan, .			\$476,942	35
Profits on hand,			8,505	85	Real Estate,			_	
Bank Balances,			33,001	50	Bank Balance	s, .		37,997	62
Circulation,			149,937	50	Checks and other Banks,		of .	51,574	7 3
Deposits, .	•	•	111,524	72	Specie, .			36,454	87
			\$602,969	57				\$602,969	57
			F-MTTTMC street before at						
					Liabilities of l	Direct	ors,	\$90,500	00
Immediate Liabi	litie	3, .	\$294,463	72	Loan on Sto	ck of	tho		
Immediate Reso	urce	s, .	126,027	22	Bank, .	•	·	-	

BANK OF NORTH AMERICA—BOSTON.

[Feb. 16, 1854.]

Capital,				\$750,000 00	Loan, \$1,218,540 33
Profits,				54,680 10	Real Estate,
Bank Balanc	es,			101,417 17	Bank Balances, 56,862 65
Circulation,			•	247,825 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks, 159,069 13
Deposits,	•	•	•	341,965 77	Specie, 61,415 93
				\$1,495,888 04	\$1,495,888 04
Immediate I	iahi	litie	s	\$691,207 94	Liabilities of Directors, \$167,646 00
Immediate F			′	277,347 71	Loan on Stock of the Bank, 700 00

COCHITUATE BANK—BOSTON.

[Feb. 23, 1854.]

Capital,	\$250,000 00	Loan,	\$482,464 29
Profits on Hand,	28,385 75	Real Estate,	_
Bank Balances,	40,000 00	Bank Balances,	84,072 27
Circulation,	275,027 00	Checks and Bills of	#0 400 #0
Deposits,	75,058 40	other Banks,	73,683 52
	\$668,471 15	Specie,	28,251 07
	\$000,471 13		\$668,471 15
	**********	Liabilities of Directors,	\$55,676 90
Immediate Liabilites, .	\$390,085 40	Loan on stock of the	
Immediate Resources, .	186,007 86	Bank,	6,200 00

ROCKLAND BANK-ROXBURY.

[Mar. 3, 1854.]

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Capital, .			\$100,000 00	Loan, \$189,472	63
Profits on Hand,			4,276 62	Real Estate, –	
Bank Balances,			-	Bank Balances, 27,663	18
Circulation, .		•	105,838 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks, 7,204	00
Deposits, .	•	٠	20,911 21	Specie, 6,686	02
			\$231,025 83	\$231,025	83
Immediate Liahil	litios		\$126,749 21	Liabilities of Directors, \$22,020	00
Immediate Resou	,		41,553 20	Loan on Stock of the Bank, 828	7 5

TREMONT BANK-BOSTON.

[MAR. 7, 1854.]

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Capital,	. \$1,250,000 00	Loan,	\$2,223,351 69
Profits on Hand, .	. 112,677 52	Real Estate,*	-
Bank Balances, .	. 466,708 11	Bank Balances,	125,169 72
Circulation,	351,456 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	306.900 58
Deposits,	. 557,304 48	Specie,	82,724 12
	\$2,738,146 11		\$2,738,146 11
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F 12 4 . T 1 1.114	51 957 100 70	Liabilities of Directors,	\$322,600 00
Immediate Liabilites,	\$1,575,408 59	Loan on Stock of the	
Immediate Resources,	514,794 42	Bank,	4,400 00
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^{*} This Bank holds Real Estate valued at \$100,000, which does not appear in the statement.

EAGLE BANK-BOSTON.

[Mar. 13, 1854.]

Capital,	. \$700,000 00	Loan, \$1,208,744 66
Profits on Hand, .	. 91,534 01	Real Estate,
Bank Balances, .	. 45,031 14	Bank Balances, 57,702 06
Circulation, .		Checks and Bills of other Banks, 97,159 43
Deposits,	. 400,353 28	Specie, 58,117 28
	\$1,421,923 43	\$1,421,923 43
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Immediate Liabilities.	. \$630,189 42	Liabilities of Directors, \$226,720 00
Immediate Resources,	,	Loan on Stock of the Bank, 800 00
Immediate Liabilities, Immediate Resources,	. \$630,189 42	Liabilities of Directors, \$226,720 C

GROCERS' BANK-BOSTON.

[MAR. 16, 1854.]

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Capital,		\$500,000 00	Debts due, &c.,* .	\$1,025,824 54
Profits on Hand, .		53,213 83	Real Estate,	30,246 88
Bank Balances, .		517,710 83	Bank Balances,	326,504 70
Circulation,	•	341,588 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	288,299 69
Deposits,	•	338,087 70	Specie,	79,724 55
		\$1,750,600 36		\$1,750,600 36
		WIND SHOWS A PERSON OF A		
Immediate Liabiliti	ies	\$1,197,386 53	Liabilities of Directors,	\$145,702 00
immediate Diabilit		ψ1,131,000 bo	Loan on Stock of the	
Immediate Resour	ces, .	694,528 94	Bank,	_
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^{*} Including \$30,049.56 due from Bankers.

WEBSTER BANK-BOSTON.

[Mar. 21, 1854.]

Capital, .			\$1,500,000 00	Loan,	\$2,363,566 18	8
Profits on hand,			93,256 58	Real Estate,	_	
Bank Balances,			125,488 98	Bank Balances,	76,712 19	2
Circulation, .			386,518 00	Checks and Bills of	139,638 00	^
Deposits, .			567,007 91	other Banks,	,	
				Specie,	92,355 13	1
			\$2,672,271 47		\$2,672,271 4	7
					THE PERSON NAMED IN COLUMN	
Immediate Tichi	1:4:		\$1.0 7 0.014.90	Liabilities of Directors	\$482,590 00	0
Immediate Liabi	nues	, •	\$1,079,014 89	Loan on Stock of the		
Immediate Reso	urces	, .	308,705 29	Bank,	_	

GRANITE BANK-BOSTON.

[MAR. 24, 1854.]

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Capital,	\$900,000 00	Loan,* \$1,61	11,316 30
Profits on Hand,	96,563 59	Real Estate,	-
Bank Balances,	316,760 19	Bank Balances, 5	51,282 09
Circulation,	167,054 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks, 10	01,346 15
Deposits,	294,991 36	Specie, 1	11,424 60
	\$1,775,369 14	\$1,77	5, 369 14
	CONTRACTOR OF STREET	Liabilities of Directors, \$20	01,846 00
Immediate Liabilities, .	\$778,805 55	Loon on Stook of the	·
Immediate Resources, .	164,052 84	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	9,700 00

^{* \$1,180.60} of this is a forged check, and should be deducted from Loan and from Profits.

CAMBRIDGE CITY BANK-CAMBRIDGE.

[MAR. 29, 1854.]

Capital,	\$100,000 00	Loan,	\$194,712 36
Profits on Hand,	4,319 33	Real Estate,	-
Bank Balances,	_	Bank Balances,	12,278 42
Circulation,	94,150 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	1,221 00
Deposits,	15,274 61	Specie,	5,532 16
		opecie,	0,050 10
	\$213,743 94		\$213,743 94
	THE RESIDENCE OF THE PARTY OF THE	•	THE PERSON NAMED IN COLUMN 2
Immediate Liabilities, .	\$109,424 61	Liabilities of Directors,	\$10,772 54
Immediate Resources, .	19,031 58	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	2,850 00

MOUNT WOLLASTON BANK-QUINCY.

[Mar. 30, 1854.]

			ALL CONTRACTOR OF THE PARTY OF		
Capital,		\$100,000 00	Loan,		\$201,633 94
Profits on Hand, .		4,495 51	Real Estate, .		
Bank Balances, .		_	Bank Balances, .		7, 095 96
Circulation,		80,979 00	Checks and Bills other Banks, .	of	1,346 00
Deposits,	•	26,140 54	Specie,		1,539 15
		\$211,615 05	The state of the s		\$211,615 05
Immediate Liabilit	ies	\$107,119 54	Liabilities of Directo	rs,	\$34,439 68
Immediate Resource	,	9,981 11	Loan on Stock of t Bank,	he	-

WOBURN BANK-WOBURN.

[MAR. 31, 1854.]

Capital,	\$100,000 00	Loan,	\$199,191 67
Profits on Hand,	5,454 72	Real Estate,	
Bank Balances,	-	Bank Balances,	31,081 12
Circulation,	109,772 00 19,714 53	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	84 00
Deposits,	10,111 00	Specie,	4,584 46
	\$234,941 25		\$234,941 25
Immediate Liabilities, .	\$129,486 53	Liabilities of Directors,	56,451 00
Immediate Resources, .	35,749 58	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	_

LYNN MECHANICS' BANK-LYNN.

[APRIL. 1, 1854.]

Capital,	\$200,000 00	Loan,	\$398,296 08
Profits on Hand,	33,235 21	Real Estate,	10,000 00
Bank Balances,	4,724 68	Bank Balances,	30,179 96
Circulation,	164,234 00	Checks and Bills of	0.004.00
Deposits,	56,740 42	other Banks,	9,904 00
		Specie,	10,554 27
	\$458,934 31		\$458,934 31
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Immediate Liabilities, .	\$225,699 10	Liabilities of Directors,	\$120,251 85
infinediate Liabilities, .	\$225,033 10	Loan on Stock of the	
Immediate Resources, .	50,638 23	Bank,	1,550 00
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CAMBRIDGE BANK—CAMBRIDGE.

[APRIL, 4, 1854.]

Capital, . Profits on Hand,			\$100,000 00 12,783 26	Loan,	\$180,188 35 6,000 00
Bank Balances,		٠	_	Bank Balances,	9,351 53
Circulation, Deposits, .		•	57,164 00 35,730 67	Checks and Bills of other Banks, Specie,	4,373 00 5,765 05
			\$205,677 93		\$205,677 93
Immediate Liabil	litie	es, .	\$92,894 67	Liabilities of Directors,	\$9,300 00
Immediate Resor	ırc	es, .	19,489 58	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	5,750 00

CHARLES RIVER BANK—CAMBRIDGE.

[APRIL 5, 1854.]

Capital,	\$100,000 00	Loan,	\$191,004 79
Profits on Hand, .	13,522 11	Real Estate,	- ' !
Bank Balances, .	-	Bank Balances,	41,672 81
Circulation,	75,758 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	1,463 30
Deposits,	56,827 36	Specie,	11,966 57
	\$246,107 47	Education Control of the Control of	\$246,107 47
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Immediate Liabilities,	\$132,585 36	Liabilities of Directors,	\$21,500 00
immediate Liabilities,	\$152,505 50	Loan on Stock of the	
Immediate Resources,	55,102 68	Bank,	2,466 95

DEDHAM BANK-DEDHAM.

[APRIL, 7, 1854.]

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Capital,	\$250,000 00	Loan,	\$491,312 74
Profits on Hand,	50,892 90	Real Estate,	-
Bank Balances,	703 73	Bank Balances,	50,232 40
Circulation,	171,211 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	536 00
Deposits,	82,187 88	Specie,	12,914 31
	\$554,995 51		\$554,995 51
Immediate Liabilities, .	\$254,102 61	Liabilities of Directors,	\$23,909 00
Immediate Resources, .	" /	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	1,050 00

WALTHAM BANK-WALTHAM.

[APRIL 10, 1854.]

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Capital,	\$150,000 00	Loan, \$264,898 98
Profits,	2,297 19	Real Estate, 5,500 00
Bank Balances,	-	Bank Balances, 10,066 75
Circulation,	112,678 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks, 7,055 13
Deposits,	26,985 98	Specie, 4,440 31
	\$291,961 17	\$291,961 17
		The state of the s
Immediate Liabilities, .	\$139,663 98	Liabilities of Directors, \$20,576 00
Immediate Resources, .	21,562 19	Loan on Stock of the Bank, 3,900 00

MERCANTILE BANK-SALEM.

[APRIL 11, 1854.]

Capital,	\$200,000 00	Loan,	\$319,468 76
Profits,	7,201 71	Real Estate,	6,000 00
Bank Balances,	3,097 15	Bank Balances,	27,219 29
Circulation,	79,373 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	14,773 03
Deposits,	83,460 65	Specie,	5,671 43
	\$373,132 51		\$373,132 51
Immediate Liabilities, .	\$165,930 80	Liabilities of Directors,	\$73,809 00
Immediate Resources, .	47,663 75	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	1,140 00

ASIATIC BANK-SALEM.

[APRIL 12, 1854.]

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Capital,	œ		\$210,000 00	Loan,	\$414,121 81
Profits, .			30,281 30	Real Estate,	10,270 00
Bank Balances,			11,898 48	Bank Balances,	59,988 35
Circulation, .	•	•	168,129 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	13,781 79
Deposits, .	٠	٠	89,061 95	Specie,	11,208 78
			\$509,370 73		\$509,370 73
Immediate Liabi	litie	s	\$269,089 43	Liabilities of Directors,	\$17,309 00
Immediate Reso			84,978 92	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	-

WARREN BANK-DANVERS

[APRIL 13, 1854.]

Capital, .			\$200,000	00	Loan,	\$391,816	11
Profits, .			19,918	62	Real Estate;		
Bank Balances,			3,922	23	Bank Balances,	21,402	25
Circulation, .		•	140,643		Checks and Bills of other Banks,	7,707	13
Deposits, .	•	•	61,593	5 3	Specie,	5,151	89
			\$426,077	38		\$426,077	38
Immediate Liabi	ilitie	es, .	\$206,159	2 6	Liabilities of Directors,	\$101,043	7 8
Immediate Reso	urce	es, .	34,261	27	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	-	

DANVERS BANK-DANVERS.

[APRIL 14, 1854.]

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Capital, .			\$150,000 00	Loan, 8297,802 74
Profits, .			15,446 05	Real Estate, 3,000 00
Bank Balances,			672 52	Bank Balances, 6,082 83
Circulation, .			113,213 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks, 8,685 19
Deposits, .	٠	•	38,821 16	Specie, 2,581 97
			\$318,152 73	\$318,152 73
June linto I inh	11:4: -	_	0150506 60	Liabilities of Directors, \$63,365 30
Immediate Liab		,	\$152,706 68	Loan on Stock of the Bank, 1,100 00

QUINCY STONE BANK—QUINCY.

[APRIL 21, 1854.]

Capital, .			\$100,000 00	Loan,	\$188,750 92
Profits, .			11,246 29	Real Estate,	5,000 00
Bank Balances,			-	Bank Balances,	10,674 55
Circulation, . Deposits, .		•	67,771 00 31,215 41	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	926 36
Deposits, .	٠		31,213 41	Specie,	4,880 87
			\$210,232 70		\$210,232 70
Immediate Liabi	lities		\$98,986 41	Liabilities of Directors,	\$39,674 00
Immediate Resor		´	16,481 78	Lorn on Stock of the Bank,	1,200 00

SPICKET FALLS BANK-METHUEN.

[APRIL 25, 1854.]

-	MARKING MARKET				
Capital, .			\$100,000 00	Loan,	\$182,413 33
Profits, .	٠		6,319 22	Real Estate,	2,773 42
Bank Balances,			_	Bank Balances,	19,880 67
Circulation, .			79,210 00	Checks and Bills of	20 57
Deposits, .		۰	21,210 39	other Banks,	
				Specie,	1,651 62
			\$206,739 61		\$206,739 61
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Immediate Liab	шпе	з, .	\$100,420 39	Loan on Stock of the	
Immediate Res	ource	s, .	21,552 86	Bank,	_

BROADWAY BANK-BOSTON.

[APRIL 28, 1854.]

Capital, .			\$100,000 00	Loan,	\$162,018 55
Profits, .	۰		795 85	Real Estate,	8,233 41
Bank Balances	, .		_	Bank Balances,	8,755 81
Circulation, .			48,042 00	Checks and Bills of	0.600.00
Deposits, .			34,915 84	other Banks,	2,699 00
				Specie, · · ·	2,046 92
			\$183,753 69	-	\$183,753 69
Immediate Lia	biliti	es, .	\$82,957 84	Liabilities of Directors,	\$28,516 00
Immediate Res	sourc	es, .	13,501 73	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	3,100 00

PRESCOTT BANK-LOWELL.

[MAY 2, 1854.]

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Capital,				\$200,000	00	Loan, .			\$395,028	32
Profits,				17,048	19	Real Estate,			_	
Bank Balanc	ces,			_		Bank Balanc	es, .		27,409	84
Circulation,				188,622	00	Checks and other Banks		of	17,772	81
Deposits,	•	•	•	42,075	48	Specie, .	,		7,534	
				\$147,745	67	1 /			\$447,745	67
Immediate I	iahi	litie	2	\$230,697	18	Liabilities of	Direct	ors,	\$43,292	53
Immediate I			1	52,717		Loan on Sto Bank, .	ck of	the	2,180	00

RAILROAD BANK-LOWELL.

[MAY 3, 1854.]

Capital, .			\$600,000 00	Loan,
Profits, .			96,093 26	Real Estate,
Bank Balances,			_	Bank Balances, 5,666 57
Circulation, .			403,699 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks, 7,091 00
Deposits, .	•	•	58,711 48	Specie, 8,839 33
			\$1,158,563 74	\$1,158,503 74
Immediate Liabi	1:4: -	. ~	\$462,410 48	Liabilities of Directors, \$9,940 24
Immediate Resor		,	21,596 89	Loan on Stock of the Bank, 4,300 00

ABINGTON BANK—ABINGTON.

[May 4, 1854.]

Capital,				\$150,000	00	Loan, \$294,407 36
Profits,				13,587	03	Real Estate, 5,392 42
Bank Balan	ices,			7,000	00	Bank Balances, 16,242 7
Circulation,	, .	•		126,996	00	Checks and Bills of other Banks, 1,980 00
Deposits,	•	•	•	25,241	46	Specie, 4,802 00
				\$322,824	49	\$322,824 49
Immediate Liabilities, .		\$159,237 46		Liabilities of Directors, \$27,246 00		
Immediate			•	23,024		Loan on Stock of the Bank,

BLUE HILL BANK—DORCHESTER.

[May 9, 1854.]

Capital, .				\$100,000	00	Loan, \$199,761 21
Profits, .				_		Real Estate, –
Bank Balance	es,			_		Bank Balances, 17,961 30
Circulation, .			•	89,807		Checks and Bills of other Banks, 5,078 00
Deposits, .		•	•	39,335	7 8	Specie, 4,964 45
						Profit and Loss, 1,377 82
				\$229,142	78	\$229,142 78
Immediate L	iahi	litio	na a	\$129,142	78	Liabilities of Directors, \$724 64
Immediate R			•	28,003		Loan on Stock of the Bank,

GLOUCESTER BANK-GLOUCESTER.

[May 12, 1854.]

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Capital, .			\$300,000 00	Loan,
Profits, .			10,093 36	Real Estate, 9,345 75
Bank Balances	, .		_	Bank Balances, 22,736 76
Circulation, .			191,740 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks, 8,408 71
Deposits, .		٠	63,041 44	
			\$564,877 80	\$564,877 80
Immediate Lia	bilíti	es, .	\$254,784 44	Liabilities of Directors, \$114,754 35
Immediate Res		•	42,747 39	Loan on Stock of the

LEICESTER BANK-LEICESTER.

[May 16, 1854.]

Capital, .			\$300,000 00	Loan, \$361,123 05
Profits, .			16,250 89	Real Estate,
Bank Balances	, .		30 78	Bank Balances,* 27,541 54
Circulation, .			171,049 00	Checks and Bills of
Deposits,			14,717 76	other Banks, 6,763 25
				Specie, 6,620 59
			\$402,048 43	\$402,048 43
Immediate Lia	hiliti	Od	\$185,797 54	Liabilities of Directors, \$9,553 80
Immediate Dia	311111	es, .	\$100,797 34	Loan on Stock of the
Immediate Res	ourc	es, .	40,925 38	Bank,
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^{*} This includes \$15,000 loaned to the Jamestown Bank, New York.

HAMPSHIRE MANUFACTURERS' BANK—WARE.

[May 18, 1854.]

The second secon			
Capital,	\$250,000 00	Loan,	\$502,570 06
Profits,	20,772 61	Real Estate,	3,785 30
Bank Balances,	292 17	Bank Balances,	53,418 63
Circulation,	303,058 00	Checks and Bills of	4.050.90
Deposits,	3,454 16	other Banks,	4,256 32
		Specie,	13,546 63
	\$577,576 94		\$577,576 94
			THE RESERVE AND ADDRESS OF THE PARTY OF THE
Immediate Liabilities, .	\$306,804 33	Liabilities of Directors,	\$14,530 36
immediate Diagnities, .	\$500,00 4 55	Loan on Stock of the	
Immediate Resources, .	71,221 58	Bank,	700 00
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BRISTOL COUNTY BANK-TAUNTON.

[May 23, 1854.]

Capital, .			\$250,000 00	Loan,	. \$464,614 50
Profits, .			26,706 75	Real Estate, .	. 10,000 00
Bank Balances,			1,432 63	Bank Balances, .	. 15,970 85
Circulation, .			151,672 00	Checks and Bills other Banks,	of 4,289 50
Deposits, .	•	•	70,656 56	Specie,	. 5,593 09
			\$500,467 94		\$500,467 94
Immediate Liab	ilitie	s	\$223,761 19	Liabilities of Director	s, \$7,439 29
Immediate Reso		•	25,853 44	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	500 00

TAUNTON BANK—TAUNTON.

[MAY 24, 1854.]

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Capital,	٠	[\$250,000 00	Loan, \$499,857 98
Profits on Hand, .		34,886 96	Real Estate, 9,157 44
Bank Balances, .	٠	2,618 37	Bank Balances, 57,323 28
Circulation, .	٠	160,199 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks, 2,021 22
Deposits,	•	131,782 15	Specie, 11,126 56
		\$579,486 48	\$579,486 48
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w		**************************************	Liabilities of Directors, \$7,825 00
Immediate Liabilities	, .	\$294,599 52	Loan on Stock of the
Immediate Resources	5, .	70,471 06	Bank, 900 00
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MACHINISTS' BANK—TAUNTON.

[May 25, 1854.]

Capital,	\$150,000 00	Loan,	\$294,663 05
Profits on Hand,	17,914 16	Real Estate,	-
Bank Balances,	287 67	Bank Balances,	32,403 37
Circulation, Deposits,	126,171 00 41,737 40	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	4,807 70
Deposits,	41,757 40	Specie,	4,236 11
	\$336,110 23		\$336,110 23
Immediate Liabilities, .	\$168,196 07	Liabilities of Directors,	\$50,496 32
Immediate Resources, .	41,447 18	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	_

UNION BANK OF WEYMOUTH & BRAINTREE—WEYMOUTII,

[May 31, 1854.]

Capital, .	•		\$150,000 00		291,925	
Profits on Hand, Bank Balances,	•		19,540 88	Real Estate, Bank Balances,	6,000 (9,62 7)	
Circulation, . Deposits, .		•	118,819 00 26,016 86	Checks and Bills of other Banks, Specie,	600 (6,224 -	
			\$314,376 74	\$	314,376	74
Immediate Liabil	lities	3, .	\$144,835 86	Liabilities of Directors, Loan on Stock of the	\$17,587	66
Immediate Resor	irce	3, .	16,451 60	Bank,	-	

HINGHAM BANK-HINGHAM.

[June 1, 1854.]

		\$140,000 00	Loan,	\$288,941 5
		20,790 99	Real Estate,	7,340 3
		_	Bank Balances,	13,441 7
	۰	132,984 00	Checks and Bills of	3,7 5 5 0
	•	26,193 01	Specie,	6,489 3
		\$319,968 00		\$319,968 0
1;#1:5	~	\$150 177 OO	Liabilities of Directors,	\$17,470 0
	,	23,686 14	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	650 0
			20,790 99	20,790 99 Real Estate,

HADLEY FALLS BANK-HOLYOKE.

[JUNE 5, 1854.]

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Capital, .			\$200,000	00	Loan, \$369,183 73
Profits on Hand,			9,116	57	Real Estate, 2,000 00
Bank Balances,			1 5	50	Bank Balances,* . 90,242 46
Circulation, .			242,583	00	Checks and Bills of other Banks, 59 68
Deposits, .	•	•	19,406 (09	Specie, 9,621 29
			\$471,107	16	\$471,107 16
			CHARLEST STATE OF THE STATE OF	MARKET TO	
Immediate Liebi	litio	ug.	261,990	50	Liabilities of Directors, \$14,115-72
Immediate Liabi	ппе	≅, •	201,990 4	JU	Loan on Stock of the
Immediate Reson	urce	es, .	99,923	43	Bank, 10,500 00

^{*}This includes \$20,000 due from the Bank of Toledo, Illinois, which is not available as a Bank Balance.

FRANKLIN COUNTY BANK-GREENFIELD.

[JUNE 7, 1854.]

Capital,		\$200,000 00	Loan, \$418,264 17
Profits on Hand, .		15,748 16	Real Estate, 6,662 40
Bank Balances, .	٠	6,082 98	Bank Balances, 28,071 74
Circulation,		227,208 00	Checks and Bills of
Deposits,		25,056 35	other Banks, 9,899 67
			Specie, 11,197 51
		\$174,095 49	\$474,095 49
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Immediate Liabilities,		\$258,347 33	Liabilities of Directors, \$23,505 68
immediate Liabilities,	•	\$200,047 00	Lean on Stock of the
Immediate Resources,	•	49,168 92	Bank, 3,350 00
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GREENFIELD BANK-GREENFIELD.

[June 9, 1854.]

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Capital,	\$200,000 00	Loan,	\$334,295 11
Profits on Hand,	16,098 42	Real Estate,	6,500 00
Bank Balances,	6,879 98	Bank Balances,	86,856 21
Circulation,	183,186 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	3,639 00
Deposits,	33,206 54	Specie,	8,080 62
	\$139,370 94		\$139,370 94
Immediate Liabilities, .	\$223,272 52	Liabilities of Directors,	\$69,013 12
Immediate Resources, .	98,575 83	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	_

PITTSFIELD BANK-PITTSFIELD.

[JUNE 12, 1854.]

Capital,	۰	\$300,000 00	Loan,	\$490,167 44
Profits on Hand, .		2,831 41	Real Estate,	1,500 00
Bank Balances, .		4,576 52	Bank Balances,	108,644 01
Circulation,		233,693 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	436 00
Deposits,	۰	67,513 19	Specie,	7,866 67
		\$608,614 12		\$608,614 12
Immediate Liabilities,		\$305,782 71	Liabilities of Directors,	\$183,451 52
Immediate Resources		116,916 68	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	1,158 55

AGRICULTURAL BANK-PITTSFIELD.

[JUNE 13, 1854.]

Capital,	\$200,000 00	Loan,	\$403,317 73
Profits on Hand,	16,680 37	Real Estate,	10,073 85
Bank Balances,	4,599 77	Bank Balances,	50,328 08
Circulation,	225,937 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	4,297 17
Deposits,	27,766 89	Specie,	6,967 20
	\$474,984 03		\$174,984 03
Immediate Liabilities, .	\$258,303 66	Liabilities of Directors,	\$19,495 67
Immediate Resources, .	61,592 45	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	_

ADAMS BANK-NORTH ADAMS.

[JUNE, 15, 1854.]

Capital, .			\$200,000 00	Loan,			\$392,135	68
Profits on Hand,			17,537 17	Real Estate,			2,950	00
Bank Balances,			1,644 14	Bank Balance	es, .		19,634	63
Circulation,			161,773 00	Checks and		of	055	00
Deposits, .			41,350 53	other Banks	s, .	٠	955	
				Specie, .	•	•	6,629	53
			\$122,304 84				\$422,304	84
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Immediate Liabili	itios		\$204,767 67	Liabilities of	Directo	ors,	\$163,757	00
Timmediate Enabli	itico,	•	Φ=04,707 07	Loan on Sto	ck of	the		
Immediate Resou	rces,	٠	27,219 16	Bank, .	•	•	~	
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BANK OF BRIGHTON-BRIGHTON.

[JUNE 20, 1854.]

\$250,000 00	Loan,	\$480,486 81
30,323 96	Real Estate,	2,474 45
_	Bank Balances,	43,125 39
198,496 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	11,065 47
65,797 46	Specie,	7,465 30
\$544,617 42		\$544,617 42
¢004 009 40	Liabilities of Directors,	\$64,244 00
\$204,295 40	Loan on stock of the	
61,656 16	Bank,	17,300 00
	30,323 96 - 198,496 00 65,797 46 \$544,617 42 \$264,293 46	30,323 96 Real Estate, Bank Balances, 198,496 00 Checks and Bills of other Banks, Specie, \$264,293 46 Liabilities of Directors, Loan on stock of the

RANDOLPH BANK-RANDOLPH.

[June 22, 1854.]

Capital,		\$150,000 00	Loan, \$305,491 60
Profits on Hand, .		36,193 15	Real Estate,
Bank Balances, .		_	Bank Balances, 18,354 53
Circulation,		114,800 00	Checks and Bills of
Deposits,		32,016 50	other Banks, 9,163 52
		\$333,009 65	\$333,009 65
		\$555,009 05	2 999,000 00
		*****	Liabilities of Directors, \$6,152 19
Immediate Liabilit	ies, .	\$146,816 50	Loan on Stock of the
Immediate Resource	es, .	27,518 05	Bank,

LECHMERE BANK-CAMBRIDGE.

[June 27, 1854.]

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Capital, .			\$100,000 00	Loan,		\$201,961 46
Profits on Hand,			2,300 38	Real Estate, .		-
Bank Balances,			-	Bank Balances, .		37,368 27
Circulation, .	٠	•	106,516 00	Checks and Bills other Banks, .	of .	4,021 96
Deposits, .	٠	٠	41,470 53	Specie,		6,935 22
			\$250,286 91			\$250,286 91
				Liabilities of Director	rs,	12,541 00
Immediate Liabi	lities	, .	\$147,986 53	Loan on Stock of the	he	
Immediate Reson	irces	۶, ۰	48,325 45	Bank,	•	2,600 00

MILFORD BANK-MILFORD.

[JUNE 29, 1854.]

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Capital,		\$200,000 00	Loan,		\$383,099	82
Profits on Hand, .		27,818 99	Real Estate, .		-	
Bank Balances, .			Bank Balances, .	٠	16,209	27
Circulation, .	۰	142,664 00	Checks and Bills other Banks, .	of •	6,273	00
Deposits,	٠	41,310 33	Specie,		6,211	23
		\$411,793 32			\$411,793	32
Immediate Liabilitie	es	\$183,974 33	Liabilities of Direc	tors,	\$56,245	69
Immediate Resource	,	28,693 50	Loan on Stock of Bank,		_	

PLYMOUTH BANK-PLYMOUTH.

[JULY 5, 1854.]

Capital,	\$150,000 00	Loan,	\$286,516 05
Profits on Hand, .	29,572 84	Real Estate,	500 00
Bank Balances, .		Bank Balances,	93,951 05
Circulation,	170,423 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	1,700 21
Deposits,	42,264 02	Specie,	9,592 55
	\$392,259 86		\$392,259 86
Immediate Liabilities,	\$212,687 02	Liabilities of Directors,	\$9,267 88
Immediate Resources,		Loan on Stock of the Bank,	1,400 00

OLD COLONY BANK-PLYMOUTH.

[JULY 7, 1854.]

Capital, .			\$150,000 00	Loan, \$289,107 66
Profits on Hand,		•	25,509 11	Real Estate, 500 00
Bank Balances,			_	Bank Balances, 89,542 74
Circulation, .			168,801 00	Checks and Bills of
Deposits, .			43,394 52	other Banks, 288 50
				Specie, 8,265 73
			\$387,704 63	\$387,704 63
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Immediate Liabili	ities.		\$212,195 52	Liabilities of Directors, \$2,885 00
Immediate maoni	icico	•	φαιλ,100 00	Loan on Stock of the
Immediate Resou	rces,		98,096 97	Bank,
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TRADERS' BANK-BOSTON.

[July 11, 1854.]

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Capital,		\$600,000 00	Loan, \$1,029,397 97
Profits on Hand, .		66,439 82	Real Estate, –
Bank Balances, .	٠	66,759 87	Bank Balances, 29,412 35
Circulation,		171,843 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks, · 112,205 48
Deposits,	٠	328,534 36	Specie, 62,561 25
		\$1,233,577 0 5	\$1,233,577 05
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Immediate Liabilities, Immediate Resources,		\$567,137 23 204,179 08	Loan on Stock of the Bank, 3,850 00

ANDOVER BANK-ANDOVER.

[July 14, 1854.]

Capital,		\$250,000	00	Loan, \$365,799 7
Profits on Hand, .		26,235	00	Real Estate, 5,000 0
Bank Balances, .		_		Bank Balances, 20,501 2
Circulation,	•	91,276		Checks and Bills of other Banks, 292 0
Deposits,	•	30,891	69	Specie, 6,809 6
		\$398,402	69	\$398,402 6
Luma lista Tinbilisia		5199.1C 7	co	Liabilities of Directors, \$20,353 7
Immediate Liabilitie	,	\$122,167		Loan on Stock of the Bank, 4,410 0

ESSEX BANK-HAVERHILL.

[JULY 18, 1854.]

Capital, .			\$100,000 00	Loan,	\$168,424 98
Profits on Hand,			5,840 72	Real Estate,	1,000 00
Bank Balances,			_	Bank Balances,	1,707 98
Circulation, .			42,889 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	1,168 00
Deposits, .	•	•	27,050 22	Specie,	3,478 98
			\$175,779 94		\$175,779 94
Immediate Liabil	ities,		\$69,939 22	Liabilities of Directors,	\$20,515 00
Immediate Resou	rces,		6,354 96	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	-

UNION BANK—HAVERHILL.

[July 19, 1854.]

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Capital,		\$100,000 00	Loan, \$15	98,706	7 9
Profits, on Hand .		16,674 43	Real Estate,	3,000	00
Bank Balances, .		5,000 00	Bank Balances,	1,961	4 6
Circulation,		58,590 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	1,029	05
Deposits,	•	27,432 03	Specie,	2,999	16
		\$207,696 46	\$20	0 7, 696 4	46
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To the Translation		#01.000.00	Liabilities of Directors, \$	15,096	00
Immediate Liabilities,	•	\$91,022 03	Loan on Stock of the		
Immediate Resources,		5,989 67	Bank,	-	
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HAVERHILL BANK-HAVERHILL.

[JULY 20, 1854.]

Capital,	\$150,000 00	Loan, \$274,733 63
Profits on Hand,	22,264 25	Real Estate, 5,000 00
Bank Balances,	24,587 72	Bank Balances, 21,561 00
Circulation,	83,811 00	Checks and Bills of
Deposits,	28,774 05	other Banks, 2,566 65
		Specie, 5,575 74
	\$309,437 02	\$309,437 02
Immediate Liabilities, .	\$137,172 77	Liabilities of Directors, \$23,762 48
immediate Liabilities, .	\$137,172 77	Loan on Stock of the
Immediate Resources, .	29,703 39	Bank, 500 00
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BOSTON BANK-BOSTON.

[July 25, 1854.]

		\$900,000	00	Loan, .				\$1,663,903	89
		131,835	06	Real Estat	e,*			50,000	00
		110,597	06	Bank Bala	nces	5, .		99,844	62
•	٠	,					of •	131,617	00
•	•	712,698	86	Specie,				134,542	47
		\$2,079,907	'98					\$2,079,907	98
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ities		\$1.048.079	. 99	Liabilities	of I	irecto	rs,	\$308,900	00
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WAMESIT BANK-LOWELL.

[July 28, 1854.]

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LOWELL BANK—LOWELL.

[July 29, 1854.]

Capital, .			\$200,000	00	Loan,	\$394,165	81
Profits on Hand,			38,126	92	Real Estate,	-	
Bank Balances,			63	03	Bank Balances,	3,215	17
Circulation, .		•	132,014	00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	14,382	86
Deposits, .	•	•	45,152	58	Specie,	3,592	
			\$415,356	53		\$415,356	53
Immediate Liabi	litie	s, .	\$177,229	61	Liabilities of Directors,	\$30,418	86
Immediate Reso	urce	s, .	21,190	72	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	5,520	00

APPLETON BANK-LOWELL.

[July 31, 1854.]

Capital,	\$200,000 00	Loan,	\$393,827 26
Profits on Hand,	30,384 86	Real Estate,	18,000 00
Bank Balances,	-	Bank Balances,	47,196 87
Circulation,	194,086 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	21,371 82
Deposits,	67,018 92	Specie,	11,093 83
	\$491,489 78		\$491,489 78
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T The Thirty	6361 001 00	Liabilities of Directors,	\$36,073 44
Immediate Liabilities, .	\$261,004 92	Loan on Stock of the	
Immediate Resources, .	79,662 52	Bank,	250 00
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BAY STATE BANK-LAWRENCE.

[Aug. 2, 1854.]

Capital,	\$500,000 00	Loan,	\$821,237 16
Profits on Hand,	51,021 46	Real Estate,	20,000 00
Bank Balances,	363 11	Bank Balances,	23,409 43
Circulation,	289,966 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	7,332 22
Deposits,	45,590 42	Specie,	14,962 18
	\$886,940 99		\$886,940 99
Immediate Liabilities, .	\$335,919 5 3	Liabilities of Directors,	\$38,728 85
Immediate Resources, .	45,703 83	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	1,700 00

BEVERLY BANK—BEVERLY.

[Aug. 5, 1854.]

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Capital,	\$125,000 00	Loan, \$251	,593 22
Profits on Hand,	14,523 81	Real Estate, 3	,719 90
Bank Balances,	_	Bank Balances, 6	,206 61
Circulation,	97,978 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks, 8	3,490 37
Deposits,	38,936 45	Specie, 6	5,428 16
	\$276,438 26	\$276	5,438 26
Immediate Liebilities	6190 014 45	Liabilities of Directors, \$14	,300 00
Immediate Liabilities, . Immediate Resources, .	\$136,914 45	Loan on Stock of the Bank, 1	,187 50

CENTRAL BANK-WORCESTER.

[Aug. 8, 1854.]

Capital, .			\$350,000 00	Loan,	. \$609,273 26
Profits on Hand,			22,191 57	Real Estate, .	
Bank Balances,			4,059 34	Bank Balances, .	. 13,831 89
Circulation, .	•		159,888 00	Checks and Bills o	f . 7,217 11
Deposits, .	•	٠	113,578 70	Specie,	19,395 35
			\$649,717 61		\$649,717 61
Immediate Liabil	ities	š	\$277,526 04	Liabilities of Directors	\$109,547 69
Immediate Resou		1	40,444 35	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	-

LANCASTER BANK-LANCASTER.

[Aug. 10, 1854.]

Capital,		\$200,000 00	Loan,		\$397,138 81
Profits on Hand, .		15,634 59	Real Estate, .		1,000 00
Bank Balances, .		1,028 17	Bank Balances, .		18,686 74
Circulation,		172,348 00	Checks and Bills other Banks, .	of	2,062 70
Deposits,		40,186 48	,	•	10,308 99
			Specie,	•	10,500 55
		\$129,197 24			\$429,197 24
T TO THE TOTAL TOTAL		0010 500 05	Liabilities of Direct	ors,	\$39,311 45
Immediate Liabilities	, .	\$213,562 65	T	.1.	
Immediate Resources	, .	31,058 43	Loan on Stock of Bank,	ine.	6,160 00
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GRAND BANK-MARBLEHEAD.

[Aug. 14, 1854.]

Capital,		\$100,000 00	Loan, \$163,844 2
Profits on Hand, .		10,187 03	Real Estate, 8,790 0
Bank Balances, .		513 33	Bank Balances, 24,418 3
,	•	78,509 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks, 5,120 0
Deposits,	•	17,365 32	Specie, 4,402 1
		\$206,574 68	\$206,574 6
The state of the s		∆00.99* 0 #	Liabilities of Directors, \$63,993 1
Immediate Liabilities,	•	\$96,387 65	Loan on Stock of the
Immediate Resources,	•	33,940 43	Bank, 15,868 5

MARBLEHEAD BANK-MARBLEHEAD.

[Aug. 15, 1854.]

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\$120,000 00	Loan,	\$198,253 52
5,226 70	Real Estate,	6,333 33
_	Bank Balances,	14,750 23
85,854 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	1,068 00
17,308 85	Specie,	7,984 47
\$228,389 55		\$228,389 55
	Liabilities of Directors,	\$25,976 93
\$103,162 85	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	2,690 00
	5,226 70 - 85,854 00 17,308 85 \$228,389 55 \$103,162 85	5,226 70 - Bank Balances, 85,854 00 17,308 85 Specie, Liabilities of Directors, Loan on Stock of the

FRAMINGHAM BANK-FRAMINGHAM.

[Avg. 18, 1854.]

Capital, .			\$200,000 00	Loan,	\$374,537 89
Profits on Hand,			24,408 85	Real Estate,	15,164 77
Bank Balances,			_	Bank Balances,	19,275 79
Circulation, .			154,368 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	440 00
Deposits, .	•	•	37,850 03	Specie,	7,208 43
			\$116,626 88		\$416,626 88
Immediate Liabil	litic	s, .	\$192,218 03	Liabilities of Directors,	\$36,826 00
Immediate Resou	ırc€	es, .	26,924 22	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	2,650 00

ATTLEBOROUGH BANK-ATTLEBOROUGH.

[Aug. 22, 1854.]

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Capital,		\$100,000	00	Loan, .	•		\$175,192	55
Profits on Hand, .		14,597 7	0	Real Estate			3,900	00
Bank Balances, .		1,816 9)2	Bank Balanc	es, .		10,494	63
Circulation,	•	65,425 0	00	Checks and other Ban		of	1,213	8.1
Deposits,	•	12,360 5	55	Specie, .		·	3,399	
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		\$194,200 1	4				\$194,200	14
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Immediate Liabiliti	ios	\$79,602 4		Liabilities of	Direct	ors,	\$22,264	29
Immediate Diabiliti	105, .	\$15,00% 4		Loan on St	ock of	the		
Immediate Resource	es, .	15,107 5		Bank, .	•	•	_	
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BLACKSTONE BANK-UXBRIDGE.

[Avg. 24, 1854.]

	\$100,000 00	Loan,	\$198,550 92
	12,851 31	Real Estate,	-
	1,145 69	Bank Balances,	9,876 47
	83,659 00		793 00
•	16,784 44	Specie,	5,220 05
	\$214,440 44		\$214,440 44
	A101 700 10	Liabilities of Directors,	\$17,117 27
		Loan on Stock of the	
, •	15,889 52	Bank,	-
		. 12,851 31 . 1,145 69 . 83,659 00 . 16,784 44 \$214,440 44 . \$101,589 13	. 12,851 31 Real Estate,

MILLBURY BANK-MILLBURY.

[Ava. 25, 1854.]

Capital,	\$75,000 00	Loan,	\$150,136 39
Profits on Hand,	6,911 72	Real Estate,	_
Bank Balances,	3,327 50	Bank Balances,	3,854 49
Circulation,	52,100 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	2,669 30
Deposits,	23,117 63	Specie,	3,796 67
		ispecie,	5,750 07
	\$160,456 85		\$160,456 85
Immediate Liabilities, .	\$78,545 13	Liabilities of Directors,	\$16,182 60
Immediate Resources, .	10,320 46	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	625 00

NEPONSET BANK—CANTON.

[Aug. 29, 1854.]

Capital, .			\$100,000 00	Loạn,	\$204,093 10
Profits on Hand,			9,676 37	Real Estate,	_
Bank Balances,			_	Bank Balances,	13,137 06
Circulation, .			86,517 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	5,351 34
Deposits, .		•	30,793 32	Specie,	4,405 19
			\$226,986 69		\$226,986 69
Immediate Liabil	litie	.s	\$117,310 32	Liabilities of Directors,	\$52,955 42
Immediate Resor		,	22,893 59	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	3,800 00

BARNSTABLE BANK-YARMOUTH.

[Sept. 1, 1854.]

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Capital, .			\$350,000 00	Loan, \$626,228 55
Profits on Hand,			50,927 25	Real Estate, 2,000 00
Bank Balances,			-	Bank Balances, 53,944 04
Circulation,			271,200 00	Checks and Bills of
Deposits, .			20,149 43	other Banks,
				Specie, 9,660 09
			\$692,276 68	\$692,276 68
Immediate Liabil	:+:0	~	\$291,349 43	Liabilities of Directors, \$75,039 77
immediate Liabii	ше	s, .	\$201,040 40	Loan on Stock of the
Immediate Resou	rce	s, .	64,048 13	Bank, 9,239 40

FALMOUTH BANK-FALMOUTH.

[Sept. 5, 1854.]

	\$100,000 00	Loan,	\$166,939 7
	8,207 44	Real Estate,	4,400 00
	_	Bank Balances,	40,217 59
	92,643 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	600 00
•	14,309 77	Specie,	3,002 93
	\$215,160 21		\$215,160 2
	\$106.952 77	Liabilities of Directors,	\$39,181 00
, .	43,820 50	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	2,425 00
		\$215,160 21 \$106,952 77	8,207 44 Real Estate, 92,643 00 14,309 77 \$215,160 21 Liabilities of Directors, Loan on Stock of the

WRENTHAM BANK-WRENTHAM.

[Sept. 7, 1854.]

Capital, .			\$150,000 00	Loan,	\$251,081 24
Profits on Hand,			12,229 67	Real Estate,	7 53 30
Bank Balances,			_	Bank Balances,	8,664 43
Circulation, .	•		106,366 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	8,804 67
Deposits, .	•	٠	6,024 47	Specie,	5,316 50
			\$274,620 14		\$274,620 14
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Immediate Liabil	,		22,785 60	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	941 00

WORCESTER COUNTY BANK-BLACKSTONE.

[Sept. 8, 1854.]

Capital, .			\$100,000 00	Loan,	06
Profits on Hand,			6,547 29	Real Estate,	
Bank Balances,			_	Bank Balances, 13,264	68
Circulation, .			29,979 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks, . 1,971	00
Deposits, .	٠	•	15,903 81	Specie, 4,043	
			\$152,430 10	\$152,430	10
T 25 (T 1 2 2			44 6 000 01	Liabilities of Directors, \$50,969	87
Immediate Liabil	litie	s, .	\$45,882 81	Loan on Stock of the	
Immediate Resou	ırce	s, .	19,279 04	Bank,	

MERCHANTS' BANK-BOSTON.

[SEPT. 13, 1854.]

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Capital, .			\$1,000,000 00	Loan,
Profits on Hand,			476,993 92	Real Estate, 153,000 00
Bank Balances,			701,521 18	Bank Balances, 20,000 00
Circulation, .	•	٠	657,554 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks, 694,051 00
Deposits, .	•	٠	1,218,443 75	Specie, 332,946 47
			\$7,054,51285	\$7,054,512 85
Immediate Liabil	lities		49 577 518 93	Liabilities of Directors, \$606,275 00
Immediate Resou			1,046,997 47	Loan on Stock of the Bank, 55,050 00

CITIZENS' BANK-WORCESTER.

[Sept. 21, 1854.]

Capital, .		•	\$150,000 00	Loan, \$295,616 31
Profits on Hand,			50,025 5	Real Estate, –
Bank Balances,			10,019 9	Bank Balances, 13,967 76
Circulation,			75,733 00	other Banks, 309 50
Deposits, .	•		34,933 61	Specie, 10,818 48
			\$320,712 05	\$320,712 05
Immediate Liabil	lities	s, .	\$120,686 54	Liabilities of Directors, \$14,814 45
Immediate Resou	irce	s, .	25,095 7	Loan on Stock of the Bank,

HOPKINTON BANK-HOPKINTON.

[Sept. 22, 1854.]

Capital,	\$100,000 00	Loan,	\$190,244 89
Profits on Hand,	6,492 66	Real Estate,	_
Bank Balances,	_	Bank Balances,	15,492 74
Circulation,	104,527 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	8,100 00
Deposits,	6,544 15	Specie,	3,726 18
	\$217,563 81		\$217,563 81
Immediate Liabilities, .	\$111,071 15	Liabilities of Directors,	\$57,582 00
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Immediate Resources, .	27,318 92	Bank,	-

NORTHAMPTON BANK-NORTHAMPTON.

[SEPT. 26, 1854.]

Capital, .			\$200,000 00	Loan,	\$399,936 96
Profits on Hand,			54,117 92	Real Estate,	3,221 54
Bank Balances,			1,837 65	Bank Balances,	82,057 34
Circulation, .			202,201 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	5 71 50
Deposits, .	•	•	36,400 28	Specie,	8,769 51
			\$494,556 85		\$494,556 85
Immediate Liabii	lities		\$240,438 93	Liabilities of Directors,	\$9,600 00
Immediate Resor			- 91,398 35	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	1,725 00

PYNCHON BANK-SPRINGFIELD.

[SEPT. 27, 1854.]

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Capital, .			\$150,000 00	Loan,	\$297,266 90
Profits on Hand,			16,556 79	Real Estate,	14,425 22
Bank Balances,			-	Bank Balances,	53,161 17
Circulation,*	•	•	188,011 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	1,996 09
Deposits, .	•	•	21,856 50	Specie,	9,574 91
			\$376,424 29		\$376,424 29
				=	
Immediate Liabil	ities		\$209,867 50	Liabilities of Directors,	\$27,193 92
		'	. ,	Loan on Stock of the	
Immediate Resou	irces	, .	64,732 17	Bank,	130 00

^{*} This circulation was reduced by \$5,600, received from the Suffolk Bank this day.

PGWOW RIVER BANK-SALISBURY.

[Ост. 4, 1854.]

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Capital, .		\$100,000 00	Loan,	. \$201,546 25
Profits on Hand,		9,840 70	Real Estate, .	
Bank Balances,			Bank Balances, .	. 24,814 86
Circulation, . Deposits, .		105,654 00 17,215 89	Checks and Bills o other Banks, .	. 459 00
			Specie,	. 5,890 48
		\$232,710 59		\$232,710 59
Immediate Liabili	ities.	. \$122,869 89	Liabilities of Directors	\$550 00
Immediate Resou	,		Lean on Stock of the Bank,	-

METACOMET BANK-FALL RIVER.

[Ост. 17, 1854.]

Capital,	\$600,000 00	Loan,	\$883,114 27
Profits on Hand,	26,516 88	Real Estate,	. –
Bank Balances,	11,662 31	Bank Balances, .	6,061 60
Circulation,	192,260 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	4,100 72
Deposits,	70,079 50	Specie,	7,242 10
	\$900,518 69		\$900,518 69
Immediate Liabilities, .	\$274,001 81	Liabilities of Directors	\$554,338 43
Immediate Liabindes, .	\$274,001 01	Loan on Stock of the	
Immediate Resources, .	17,404 42	Bank,	
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MASSASOIT BANK-FALL RIVER.

[Ост. 18, 1854.]

Capital, .			\$200,000 00	Loan, \$350,563 26
Profits on Hand,			26,441 64	Real Estate,
Bank Balances,			2,152 51	Bank Balances, 21,235 01
Circulation, .	•	•	99,983, 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks, 11,339 29
Deposits, .	•	٠	64,697 34	Specie, 10,136 93
			\$393,274 49	\$393,274 49
Immediate Liabil	ities		\$166,832-85	Liabilities of Directors, \$82,841 35
Immediate Resou			42,711 23	Loan on Stock of the Bank, 800 00
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NORTH BRIDGEWATER BANK—NORTH BRIDGEWATER.

[Ост. 20, 1854.]

Capital,	\$100,000 00	Loan,	\$171,161 06
Profits en Hand,	2,433 77	Real Estate,	_
Bank Balances,	- *	Bank Balances,	21,334 57
Circulation,	72,464 00	Checks and Bills of	F 0.4.2.00
Deposits,	27,378 26	other Banks,	5,046 00
		Specie,	4,734 40
	\$202,276 03		\$202,276 03
		Liabilities of Directors,	\$28,405 47
Immediate Liabilities, .	\$99,842 26	ĺ · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	****
		Loan on Stock of the	
Immediate Resources, .	31,114 97	Bank,	-

BRIGHTON MARKET BANK-BRIGHTON.

[Ост. 27, 1854.]

Capital,	\$100,000 00	Loan,	\$200,812 08
Profits on Hand,	267 86	Real Estate,	6,548 12
Bank Balances,	-	Bank Balances,	31,087 16
Circulation,	124,000 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	3,729 00
Deposits,	22,543 54	Specio,	4,635 04
	\$246,811 40		\$246,811 40
Immediate Liabilities, .	\$146,543 54	Liabilities of Directors,	\$17,020 00
Immediate Resources, .	39,451 20	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	1,200 00

BEDFORD COMMERCIAL BANK—NEW BEDFORD.

[Ост. 31, 1854.]

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Capital,	\$600,000 00	Loan,	\$964,325 34
Profits on Hand,	22,907 13	Real Estate,	28,847 68
Bank Balances,	38,405 71	Bank Balances,	21,376 84
Circulation,	272,858 00	Checks and Bills of	e 00e 47
Deposits,	97,342 11	other Banks,	6,926 47
		Specie,	10,036 62
	\$1,031,512 95	Ę	\$1,031,512 95
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Immediate Liabilities, .	\$408,605 82	Liabilities of Directors,	\$361,320 94
immediate Liabilities, .	Ф100,000 03	Loan on Stock of the	
Immediate Resources, .	38,339 93	Bank,	-
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FAIRHAVEN BANK-FAIRHAVEN.

[Nov. 2, 1854.]

		\$200,000 00	Loan,	\$358,195	06
		7,287 59	Real Estate,	3,000	00
		1,937 68	Bank Balances,	30,958	4 3
		95,719 00	Checks and Bills of	900	~ 0
		93,787 68	other Banks,	328	99
	-	,	Specie,	6,249	87
		\$398,731 95		\$398,731	95
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lition		\$101.444.9G	Liabilities of Directors,	\$180,355	7 5
nues,	٠	\$191,444 50	Loan on Stock of the		
irces	, .	37,536 89	Bank,	1,100	00
	·		7,287 59 1,937 68 95,719 00 93,787 68 \$398,731 95	7,287 59 Real Estate,	7,287 59 Real Estate, 3,000 1,937 68 Bank Balances, 30,958 95,719 00 Checks and Bills of other Banks, 328 Specie, 6,249 \$398,731 95 Liabilities of Directors, \$180,355 Loan on Stock of the

JOHN HANCOCK BANK—SPRINGFIELD.

[Nov. 9, 1854.]

			W. W
Capital,	\$150,000 00	Loan,	\$286,671 71
Profits on Hand,	8,128 64	Real Estate,	8,536 50
Bank Balances,	4,615 48	Bank Balances,	8,128 75
Circulation,	130,681 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	683 90
Deposits,	14,858 81	Specie,	4,263 07
	\$308,283 93		\$308,283 93
Immediate Liabilities,	\$150,155 29	Liabilities of Directors,	\$14,250 00
Immediate Resources, .	13,075 72	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	2,500 00

GRAFTON BANK-GRAFTON.

[Nov. 14, 1854.]

Capital,		\$100,000 00	Loan,	\$169,408 81
Profits on Hand, .		3,512 38	Real Estate,	_
Bank Balances, .		391 14	Bank Balances,	3,000 00
Circulation, .	•	59,454 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks,	1,496 87
Deposits,	•	15,857 53	Specie,	5,309 37
		\$179,215 05		\$179,215 05
Immediate Liabilit	ies	\$75,702 67	Liabilities of Directors,	\$29,981 63
Immediate Resource	,	9,806 24	Loan on Stock of the Bank,	833 00

SALEM BANK-SALEM.

[Nov. 16, 1854.]

		Panel Control		
Capital, .			\$250,000 00	Loan, \$328,548 55
Profits on Hand,			6,658 72	Real Estate, 3,377 97
Bank Balances,			4,801 02	Bank Balances, 7,497 85
Circulation, .			48,137 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks, . 6,143 69
Deposits, .	•	•	41,111 43	Specie, 5,140 13
			\$350,708 17	\$350,708 17
T - 17-4- T (-1-1)	! ! **			Liabilities of Directors, \$23,400 00
Immediate Liabil Immediate Resou		<i>'</i>	\$94,049 45	Loan on Stock of the Bank, 6,270 00
	11000	, .	10,701 07	Dana,

UNION BANK-BOSTON.

[Nov. 22, 1854.]

Capital, .			\$1,000,000 00	Loan, \$1,452,564 82
Profits on Hand,			129,516 38	Real Estate, –
Bank Balances,			103,520 42	Bank Balances, 79,198 13
Circulation, .		•	171,675 00	Checks and Bills of other Banks, 122,771 54
Deposits, .	•	٠	333,873 86	Specie, 84,051 15
			\$1,738,585 66	\$1,738,585 66
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Immediate Liabil	ition		\$609,069 28	Liabilities of Directors, \$283,943 00
Immediate Liabii	nues,	•	\$005,005 20	Loan on Stock of the
Immediate Resou	irces	, .	286,020 84	Bank, 1,300 00

AGGREGATE

OF THE FOREGOING ABSTRACTS.

THE REAL PROPERTY OF THE PERSON NAMED IN	-				-	-	-	-	
Capital, .									\$32,280,000 00
Circulation,									16,003,554 00
Deposits,									11,244,732 57
Bank Balance	es,								4,046,224 02
Profits on Ha	nd,								3,399,607 97
									\$66,974,118 56
Loan, .									\$56,479,628 44
Real Estate,									616,797 57
Checks and B	ills	of oth	er Ba	nks,					3,582,202 66
Bank Balance	s,								4,237,917 93
Specie,									2,057,571 96
									\$66,974,118 56
Immediate Li	abili	ties,							\$31,292,420 58
Immediate Re	esou	rces,							9,877,593 55
Liabilities of I	Dire	ctors,							8,019,653 24
Loan on Stock	k of	the E	Banks,						343,923 70
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RATES OF EXCHANGE.

The following Summary exhibits the rates of Exchange charged by the several Banks named in the preceding Abstracts; appended to which are estimates of the annual expenses of most of the same banks, exclusive of State Tax.

1.

COLUMBIAN BANK, Boston.—On New York, on 4 months' paper, ½ per cent.; on 6 months' paper, ¾ to 1 per cent. On Philadelphia, ¼ per cent. more than on New York. Amount received from "Exchange for the last 3 months, say \$1,500." Salaries, \$6,600.

2.

Howard Banking Company, Boston.—Charges vary with the time the paper has to run. On New York, ½ to 1 per cent. Philadelphia and Baltimore, ½ to 1 per cent. Charleston, New Orleans and St. Louis, 1 to 2 per cent. Chicago and Buffalo, ¾ to 1¼ per cent. Providence, Hartford, New Bedford, Salem, &c., ¼ to ½ per cent. Salaries, \$4,800.

3.

ATLAS BANK, Boston.—Charges vary with the time. On New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore, ¼ to 1 per cent. Buffalo, Albany and Hartford, ¼ to 1 per cent. New Bedford, Portland, Lowell and Nantucket, ½ per cent. Salem and Newburyport, ¼ per cent. Amount received from Exchange from April 1 to October 1, 1852, \$392.32; from October 1, 1852, to April 1, 1853, \$284.41—total, \$676.73. Salaries, \$6,400.

4.

BLACKSTONE BANK, Boston.—Charges vary "somewhat" with the time. On New York, \(\frac{1}{4}\) to \(\frac{3}{4}\) per cent.; mostly \(\frac{1}{2}\) per cent. Philadelphia, \(\frac{1}{2}\) to 1 per cent.; rarely above \(\frac{3}{4}\). Baltimore, \(\frac{3}{4}\) to 1 per cent. Charleston and Mobile, \(1\frac{1}{2}\) per cent. New Orleans, \(1\frac{1}{4}\) to \(1\frac{1}{2}\) per cent. Albany, Lowell, New Bedford, Salem and Nantucket, \(\frac{1}{2}\) per cent. Salaries, \(\frac{8}{6}\),200.

5.

FANEUIL HALL BANK, Boston.—Charges vary, &c. On New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore, \(\frac{1}{4}\) to 1 per cent. Charleston, Mobile and Cincinnati, 1 to 2 per cent. Providence, \(\frac{1}{4}\) to \(\frac{1}{2}\) per cent. Buffalo, 1 per cent. Hartford, New Bedford, Salem and Portland, \(\frac{1}{4}\) to 1 per cent. Salaries, \(\frac{8}{7}\),500.

Shoe and Leather Dealers' Bank, Boston.—Charges vary with the time the paper has to run. On New York, ½ to 1 per cent. Philadelphia and Baltimore, ¼ to 1 per cent. Charleston, Mobile, Louisville and St. Louis, 1 to 1½ per cent. Hartford, Lowell, New Bedford and Salem, ½ to ¾ per cent. Salaries, \$11,000.

7

MARKET BANK, Boston.—Charges vary with the length of paper. On New York, 4 to 1 per cent. Philadelphia, Albany and Nantucket, ½ to 1 per cent. Baltimore, 1 per cent. New Orleans, 1 to 1½ per cent. Providence, Lowell, Springfield and Hartford, ½ per cent. Amount per annum received from Exchange is estimated at \$5,000. Salaries, rent, &c., \$9,300.

8.

Exchange Bank, Boston.—On New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore, \(\frac{1}{2} \) per cent. Charleston, Mobile and New Orleans, 1 to 2 per cent. Louisville, Cincinnati and Chicago, 1\(\frac{1}{2} \) to 2 per cent. Albany, Springfield, Providence, Lowell, New Bedford and Salem, \(\frac{1}{4} \) to \(\frac{1}{2} \) per cent. Amount received in the course of a year may be \\$15,000. Salaries, \\$12,000.

9.

National Bank, Boston.—Rates vary with the time. On New York and Philadelphia, 4 to 1 per cent. Baltimore, ½ to 1 per cent. Charleston, Mobile, Cincinnati and St. Louis, 1 to 1½ per cent. Chicago and New Orleans, 1 to 2 per cent. Providence, Hartford, Lowell, New Bedford, Salem and Springfield, ½ to 3 per cent. Amount received from Exchange for first six months, about \$1,500. Salaries, \$4,000.

10.

BOYLSTON BANK, Boston.—Sometimes the rates vary with the time paper has to run. On New York, \(\frac{1}{4}\) to \(\frac{3}{4}\) per cent. Philadelphia, Baltimore, Albany, Providence, Hartford, Lowell, New Bedford and Salem, \(\frac{1}{2}\) per cent. Charleston, \(\frac{3}{4}\) to 1 per cent. Mobile and New Orleans, \(1\frac{1}{2}\) per cent. Amount received from Exchange is about \(\frac{8}{2}\),000 per annum. Salaries, \(\frac{8}{4}\),750.

11.

ELIOT BANK, Boston.—Charges vary "somewhat" with the time. On New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore, ½ per cent. Charleston, Cincinnati and St. Louis, 1½ per cent. Louisville and Chicago, 1 per cent. Providence, Salem, Springfield and New Bedford, ½ to ¾ per cent. Salaries, §4,000.

12.

Bank of North America, Boston.—Rates vary with the time the paper has to run. On New York and Philadelphia, \(\frac{1}{4}\) to \(\frac{3}{4}\) per cent. Baltimore, Hartford and New Bedford, \(\frac{1}{2}\) to \(\frac{3}{4}\) per cent. Charleston, New Orleans, Louisville, Cincinnati and St. Louis, \(\frac{1}{2}\) to \(2\) per cent. Springfield, Salem, Newburyport and Lowell, \(\frac{1}{2}\) per cent. Amount received from Exchange from February 19, 1853, to February 19, 1854, \(\frac{8}{7},791.1\) 7. Salaries, \(\frac{8}{5}8,550.

COCHITUATE BANK, Boston.—Charges vary "a little" with the time the paper has to run. On New York, 0 to 1 per cent. Philadelphia, Baltimore, Hartford, Salem, Springfield, Portland and New Bedford, 1 per cent. Charleston, 1½ per cent. Lowell, ½ to 1 per cent. Salaries, \$2,900.

14.

Rockland Bank, Roxbury.—Rates vary according to time. On Boston, 0 to ½ per cent. New York and Portland, ½ per cent. Philadelphia, ¾ per cent. New Orleans, Cincinnati and St. Louis, 1½ per cent. Annual expenses, \$2,200.

15.

TREMONT BANK, Boston.—Rates vary with the time, &c. On New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore, \(\frac{1}{2}\) to \(\frac{3}{4}\) per cent. Charleston, New Orleans and St. Louis, \(\frac{1}{2}\) to 1 per cent. Mobile, Cincinnati and Louisville, \(\frac{1}{2}\) to 1\(\frac{1}{2}\) per cent. Albany, Springfield, Portland and Providence, \(\frac{1}{4}\) to \(\frac{1}{2}\) per cent. Lowell and Salem, \(\frac{1}{4}\) per cent. Estimated amount received per annum from Exchange, \(\frac{5}{7},500\). Annual expenses, \(\frac{5}{2},500\).

16.

EAGLE BANK, Boston.—Exchange is charged generally on all paper payable out of Boston. On New York, 0 to ½ per cent. Philadelphia and Baltimore, ¼ to ½ per cent. Buffalo, ¾ to 1 per cent. Springfield and Hartford, ¼ to ½ per cent. Portland, Lowell, New Bedford and Salem, ¼ per cent. New Orleans, Louisville, Cincinnati and St. Louis, "what we pay." Estimated amount received per annum from Exchange, \$7,000. Annual expenses, \$10,000.

17.

GROCERS' BANK, Boston.—"At some seasons of the year the rate of Exchange on some places varies with the time the paper has to run." On New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Providence, Hartford, Springfield, Salem and Newburyport, \(\frac{1}{4}\) to 1 per cent. Charleston, Louisville and Chicago, 1 to 1\(\frac{1}{2}\) per cent. New Orleans, 1 to 2\(\frac{1}{2}\) per cent. Cincinnati and St. Louis, 1 to 2 per cent. Albany, Nantucket and Pittsburg, \(\frac{1}{2}\) to 1 per cent. Amount received per annum from Exchange, from \\$6,000 to \\$7,000. Annual expenses, \\$9,200.

18.

Webster Bank, Boston.—Rates vary with the time. On New York, ½ to ½ per cent. Philadelphia and Baltimore, ¼ to 1 per cent. Charleston, 1 to ½ per cent. Albany, Providence, Hartford, Salem, Springfield, ½ per cent. Portland and Lowell, ½ to 1 per cent. Amount received from Exchange for the last six months, from \$11,000 to \$12,000. Annual expenses, \$14,000.

19.

Granite Bank, Boston.—Rates vary with the time. On New York, 0 to 1 per cent. Philadelphia and Baltimore, \(\frac{1}{4}\) to 1 per cent. Mobile, Louisville, Cincinnati and St. Louis, \(\frac{1}{2}\) per cent. New Orleans, \(\frac{1}{2}\) to \(\frac{1}{2}\) per cent. Albany, Providence, Hartford, Springfield, Lowell, New Bedford and Newburyport, \(\frac{1}{2}\) to 1 per cent. Salem, \(\frac{1}{4}\) to \(\frac{3}{4}\) per cent. Estimated annual receipts from Exchange, \(\frac{\$10,000}\). Annual expenses, \(\frac{\$\$8,300}\).

Cambridge City Bank, Cambridge.—Rates vary with the time. On Boston, nothing. New York, Philadelphia, Providence, Hartford and Salem, 4 to 3 per cent. Springfield, ½ to 3 per cent. Annual expenses, \$2,140.

21.

Mount Wollaston Bank, Quincy.—On Boston, 0 to 1 ger cent. New York, 1 per cent. Philadelphia, Hartford, S. ringfield and Portland, 1 per cent.

22.

WOBURN BANK, Woburn.—Rates vary with the time. On Boston, 0 to ½ per cent. New York and Philadelphia, ¼ to ¾ per cent. Charlesten, New Orleans and St. Louis, 1 to 1½ per cent. Providence, Hartford, Lowell, and Springfield, ¼ to ½ per cent. Salem, ¼ per cent. Annual expenses, \$1,015.

23.

LYNN MECHANICS' BANK, Lynn.—On Boston, 1 month or under, one-twentieth—over 1 month, 4 per cent. On New York, 2 months or under, 4 per cent—over 2 months, 4 per cent. Philadelphia, Baltimore, Hartford, Lowell and New Bedford, 4 per cent. Charleston, Mobile, New Orleans, Cincinnati, St. Louis and Chicago, 14 per cent. Buffalo, 1 per cent. Albany, 3 per cent. Amount received per annum from Exchange, about \$4,000.

24.

CAMBRIDGE BANK, Cambridge.—Rates vary with the time paper has to run. On Boston, 4 to ½ per cent. New York, 4 to ½. Philadelphia and Baltimore, 3 per cent. Amount received per annum, about \$600 or \$700. Salaries, \$1,550.

25.

Charles River Bank, Cambridge.—This Bank collects all its notes payable abroad through the Merchants' Bank, Boston, and generally charges from 4 to 4 per cent, more than that Bank charges it, except on notes payable in Boston, on which no exchange has been charged, except in very few instances, and then not more than 4 per cent. During the past year, not more than about \$150 has been received from Exchange. Annual expenses, \$2,450.

26.

Dedham Bank, Dedham.—Rates vary with the time paper has to run. On Boston, nothing. New York, \(\frac{1}{2}\) to 1 per cent. Philadelphia, Baltimore, Albany and Salem, \(\frac{1}{2}\) per cent. New Orlcans, 1 to 1\(\frac{1}{2}\) per cent. Cincinnati, 1 per cent. Hartford, Springfield, New Bedford and Lowell, \(\frac{1}{2}\) to 1 per cent. Average annual receipt from Exchange, \(\frac{8}{1}\),635,43. Annual expenses, \(\frac{8}{2}\),985.

27.

Waltham Bank, Waltham.—Rates vary, &c. On Boston, 4 to 1 per cent. New York and Providence, 5 to 1 per cent. Amount received from Exchange in last six months, about \$900. Annual expenses, \$2,100.

28.

MERCANTILE BANK, Salem.—Rates vary, &c. On Boston, 0 to 4 per cent. New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore, 4 to 4 per cent. Providence, Hartford,

Springfield and Lowell, 4 to 3 per cent. New Bedford and Newburyport, 4 per cent. Amount received from Exchange in last six months, about \$600. Annual expenses, \$2,300.

29.

ASIATIC BANK, Salem.—On Boston and New York, 0 to ½ per cent. Hartford Portland and Springfield, ½ per cent. Philadelphia and Baltimore, ¼ to ½ per cent. Charleston, Cincinnati and Buffalo, 1½ per cent. Chicago, 1 to 2 per cent. Average annual receipt from Exchange, about \$2,000; received for last six months, \$1,700 to \$1,800. Annual expenses, \$3,900.

30.

Warren Bank, Danvers.—Rates vary according to length of paper. On Boston, "sometimes" ¼ to 1 per cent. New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore, Springfield, Providence, New Bedford and Salem, ¼ to 1 per cent. Annual amount received from Exchange, about \$2,500. Annual expenses, \$1,800.

31.

Danvers Bank, Danvers.—Rates vary, &c. "Do not ordinarily charge on Boston—have sometimes done so." On New York, \(\frac{1}{2}\) to \(\frac{1}{2}\) per cent. Philadelphia, \(\frac{1}{3}\) to \(\frac{3}{4}\). Baltimore, \(\frac{1}{2}\) to 1. Charleston, 1\(\frac{1}{2}\) to 2. Salem and Newburyport, \(\frac{1}{4}\) per cent. Annual expenses, \(\frac{5}{4}1,500\).

32.

Quincy Stone Bank, Quincy.—Rates vary with time paper has to run, and some other circumstances. On Boston, 0 to ½ per cent. New York, Providence, Hartford and Salem, ½ per cent. Philadelphia and Baltimore, ½ to 1 per cent. New Orleans, 1 to 1½ per cent. Louisville, 1½ to 2. Charleston, Cincinnati, Pittsburg, Chicago and Buffalo, 1 per cent. Amount received from Exchange for year ending April 1, 1854, \$533. Annual expenses, \$1,600.

33.

Spicket Falls Bank, Methuen.—Rates vary with time. On Boston, ½ per cent. New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore, ¼ to 1 per cent. Charleston, 1 to 1½. Buffalo, 1½ to 2. New Orleans, Louisville and Cincinnati, 2 per cent. St. Louis and Pittsburg, 1½. Chicago, 2 to 3 per cent. Providence, Springfield, Lowell, New Bedford and Salem, 1 per cent. Annual expenses, \$1,450.

34.

Broadway Bank, Boston.—Rates vary with the time paper has to run. On New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore, \(\frac{1}{4} \) to 1 per cent. Hartford, \(\frac{1}{4} \) per cent. Annual expenses, \(\frac{\$\frac{1}{4}\$}{1.850}. \)

35.

Prescott Bank, Lowell.—On Boston, § to 4 per cent., if any thing. New York, 4 to 2 per cent. Philadelphia, Baltimore, Albany, Hartford, New Bedford and Salem, 4 per cent. Annual receipts from Exchange, about \$400. Annual expenses, \$2,450.

36.

RAILROAD BANK, Lowell.—"We have no established rates, our Exchange being so small. Probably the amount charged for Exchange for the last year has not been fifty dollars." Annual expenses, \$4,932.

ABINGTON BANK, Abington.—Rates vary with time. On Boston, 4 per eent., "4 per cent. rarely." New York, Providence, Hartford, Salem, Portland and Springfield, 4 per cent. Philadelphia and Baltimore, 4 per cent. Charleston and Cincinnati, 14 per cent. Mobile, New Orleans and St. Louis, 2 per cent. Annual expenses, \$1,800.

38.

BLUE HILL BANK, Dorchester.—Rates vary with time. On New York, Providence, Hartford, Springfield, Salem and Lowell, ½ per cent. Philadelphia, Baltimore, Albany and Portland, ½ to ¾ per cent. Charleston, Cincinnati and Pittsburg, 1½ per cent. Mobile, New Orleans and St. Louis, 1½ to 2 per cent. Annual expenses, \$1,400.

39.

GLOUCESTER BANK, Gloucester.—Some reference is had to length of paper. Rates. On Boston, New York and Philadelphia, ¼ to ½ per cent; and generally, on remote places, ¼ per cent. in addition to Boston charges for collection. Estimated net income to the Bank from Exchange, \$1,500 per annum. Annual expenses, \$2,600.

40.

Leicester Bank, Leicester.—Rates vary with length of paper. On Boston, par to ½. New York, ¼ to ½. Philadelphia and Baltimore, ½. Charleston and New Orleans, 1½. Louisville, Cincinnati and Buffalo, 1. Amount received per annum, about \$800. Annual expenses, \$1,500.

41.

Hampshire Manufacturers' Bank, Ware.—Rates vary with length of paper. Nothing is charged on New York and Boston. On Philadelphia and Baltimore, ½ to ½. Buffalo and Chicago, 1. Albany, Providence, Hartford, &c., ½. On other places, the cost of collection. Total receipts from Exchange do not exceed \$500 per annum. Annual expenses, \$3,100.

42.

Bristol County Bank, Taunton.—Rates. On Boston, nothing. New York, 4. Philadelphia, 3. Baltimore, 1. Charleston, 2 to 3. Louisville, 2 or 2½. Cincinnati, 1½ or 2. St. Louis, 2 or 3. Albany, Hartford, Portland, 1. Providence and New Bedford, 4 to ½. Estimated amount realized from Exchange, \$2,500 per annum. Annual expenses, \$2,350.

43.

Taunton Bank, Taunton.—Rates vary according to time. On Boston, nothing. New York, 4 to 1 per cent. Philadelphia and Baltimore, ½ to 1. Hartford, ½ to 3. Providence and New Bedford, 4 to ½. Amount received from Exchange may average \$2,000 a year. Annual expenses, \$3,000.

44.

MACHINISTS' BANK, Taunton.—Rates. On Boston, nothing. New York, \(\frac{1}{3}\) to 1. Philadelphia and Baltimore, \(\frac{3}{4}\) to 1. Louisville, 2. Amount realized from Exchange the past year, about \(\frac{5}{4}\),800. Annual expenses, \(\frac{5}{2}\),900.

UNION BANK OF WEYMOUTH AND BRAINTREE, Weymouth.—Rates. On Boston and New York, ¼ to ½. Philadelphia, ¾ to 1. Baltimore and Charleston, 1. Cincinnati, 1¼. St. Louis, 2. Providence, Springfield, Portland, New Bedford, Lowell and Salem, ½. The amount realized from Exchange heretofore has not been more than \$300 or \$400 each six months. No charge on Boston had ever been made until four or five weeks before the examination of this bank. Annual expenses, \$1,950.

46.

HINGHAM BANK, Hingham.—Rates. On Boston, 0 to \(\frac{1}{3}\) per cent. New York and Philadelphia, \(\frac{1}{2}\) to \(\frac{3}{3}\). Providence, Springfield, Portland, New Bedford and Salem, \(\frac{1}{2}\). Nantucket, \(\frac{1}{2}\) to 1. Amount received from Exchange is estimated at \(\frac{8}{3}\),000 per annum. Annual expenses, \(\frac{8}{3}\)1,800.

47.

Hadley Falls Bank, Holyoke.—Exchange is charged only on drafts on Boston and New York. Rates, ¼ to ½, according to length of paper. On other places the charge is simply the cost of collection. Amount received from Exchange is about \$1,000 per annum. Annual expenses, \$2,600.

48.

Franklin County Bank, Greenfield.—Rates vary with time. On Philadelphia, 4.
Baltimore, ½. Charleston, Cincinnati. Chicago and St. Louis, 1½. Buffalo, ¾.
Albany, Providence, Hartford, Springfield, ¼. Annual expenses, \$1,900.

49.

Greenfield Bank, Greenfield.—On Boston and New York, usually no charge. On Philadelphia and Baltimore, ½. Charleston, Mobile, New Orleans, Louisville, Cincinnati, St. Louis, Chicago, Pittsburg and Buffalo, ½ and expense. Albany, 0. Providence, Hartford, Springfield, Portland, Lowell, New Bedford, Nantucket, &c., ½. Amount realized from Exchange is estimated at \$3,000 per annum. Annual expenses, \$2,800.

50.

Pittsfield Bank, Pittsfield.—Exchange is charged on "about \$100 in \$10,000."

On Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Albany, Hartford and Springfield, par. On other places, "what it costs." Amount realized from Exchange, about \$1,000 per annum. Annual expenses, \$4,100.

51.

AGRICULTURAL BANK, Pittsfield. On Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Albany, Hartford and Springfield, nothing is charged. On Buffalo and Chicago, "what it costs." Providence, 4. Amount received per annum from Exchange, about \$1,000. Annual expenses, \$2,700.

52.

Adams Bank, North Adams.—Rates do not vary with time. On Boston, Albany and New York, nothing is charged. On Philadelphia and Baltimore, 0 to 4. Providence, Hartford, Springfield, Nantucket and Salem, 4. On other places, the cost of collection. The amount realized from Exchange, in the course of a year, is estimated at \$1,600, chiefly by sale of drafts. Annual expenses, \$1,900.

BANK OF BRIGHTON, Brighton.—Rates. On Boston, 0, \(\frac{1}{4}\), \(\frac{1}{4}\). New York, \(\frac{1}{4}\) to \(\frac{1}{2}\).

Philadelphia, \(\frac{1}{2}\). Albany, \(\frac{1}{2}\). Mobile, New Orleans, Louisville, Cincinnati, St.

Louis, Pittsburg, Chicago and Buffalo, 1 to \(\frac{1}{2}\). Providence, Portland, Lowell,

New Bedford and Salem, \(\frac{1}{4}\) to \(\frac{1}{2}\). Amount received per annum from Exchange

may be \\$300 or \\$400. Annual expenses, \\$4,100.

54.

RANDOLPH BANK, Randolph.—Rates. On Boston, 0. New York, 4 to 3. Philadelphia, 3 to 1. Baltimore, 1. Charleston, 1½ to 2. New Bedford, Nantucket and Silem, 3 to 1. Amount realized from Exchange, \$3,000 per annum. Annual expenses, \$2,800.

55.

LECHMERE BANK, Cambridge.—Rates vary with length of paper. On Boston, 0 to ½. New York and Philadelphia, ½ to 1. Baltimore, 1. Hartford, ½ to 1. Amount received from Exchange, for the last six months, about \$250. Annual expenses, \$1,500.

56.

MILFORD BANK, Milford.—Rates vary according to time. On Boston, ¼ to ½. Providence and New York, ½ to ¾. Philadelphia, ¾ to 1. Baltimore, 1 to ½. Charleston, 1½ to 2. Lonisville, Cincinnati, St. Louis, Chicago, 1 to 2. Albany, Hartford, Springfield, Portland, Lowell, New Bedford, Nantucket, Salem, &c., ¾. The amount received from Exchange is estimated at \$2.000 per annum. Annual expenses, \$2,100.

57.

PLYMOUTH BANK, Plymouth.—Rates vary with length of time. On Boston, par to ½ per cent. New York and Philadelphia, ½ to 1. Albany, 1. Providence, Hartford, Springfield, Portland, Lowell, New Bedford, Nantucket, Salem, ½. The amount realized from Exchange is estimated at \$3,000 per annum. Annual expenses, \$2,400.

58.

OLD COLONY BANK, Plymouth.—Rates vary with the time in some cases. On Boston, \(\frac{1}{4}\) to \(\frac{1}{2}\). New York, \(\frac{1}{4}\) to \(\frac{2}{4}\). Philadelphia, Albany and Providence, \(\frac{1}{2}\) to \(1\). Baltimore, Hartford and Portland, \(\frac{3}{4}\) to \(1\). Charleston, \(1\) to \(1\frac{1}{4}\). Chicago, \(1\). Springfield and Lowell, \(\frac{1}{2}\) to \(\frac{3}{4}\). New Bedford, Salem and Newburyport, \(\frac{1}{2}\). Nantucket, \(\frac{3}{4}\). The amount realized from Exchange is estimated at \(\frac{8}{4}\),500 per annum. Annual expenses, \(\frac{9}{2}\),450.

59.

Traders' Bank, Boston.—Rates vary with the time paper has to run. On New York, par to 1 per cent. Philadelphia, ½ to 1. Baltimore, ½ to 1. Charleston, 1 to 1½. Mobile, 1½ to 2½. New Orleans, 2 to 2½. Louisville, 2½. Cincinnati, 1 to 2½. St. Louis, ½ to 2½. Chicago, 1 to 2½. Buffalo, ¾. Albany, ½ to 1½. Providence, ¼ to 1. Hartford, Springfield, Portland, Lowell, New Bedford, Salem and Newburyport, ½ to 1. Nantucket, 1. The net amount on capital received from Exchange is estimated to be 1 per cent., say \$6,000 per annum. Annual expenses, \$9,700.

Andover Bank, Andover.—The rate varies according to time generally. The highest regular rate charged on Boston, New York and Philadelphia, has been 1 per cent. on six months' paper; on similar Baltimore paper, 14 per cent. The charge is often 4 or 3 per cent. less; and where there is a good circulation, and when money is plenty, nothing is charged except on Baltimore. The receipts from Exchange are estimated at about \$2,000 per annum. Annual expenses, \$1,750.

61

ESSEX BANK, Haverhill.—Rates vary according to time. On Boston, \(\frac{1}{4}\) to \(\frac{1}{2}\). New York, \(\frac{1}{4}\) to 1. Philadelphia, \(\frac{3}{8}\) to 1. Baltimore, \(\frac{1}{2}\) to 1\(\frac{1}{4}\). Charleston, 1\(\frac{1}{4}\) to 2. St. Louis, 2 to 2\(\frac{1}{4}\). Pittsburg, 1\(\frac{1}{4}\) to 2. Chicago, 2. Buffalo, 1\(\frac{1}{2}\). Albany, \(\frac{1}{2}\) to 1\(\frac{1}{4}\). Hartford, \(\frac{1}{2}\) to 1\(\frac{1}{8}\). Newburyport, \(\frac{1}{2}\). The amount received from Exchange is estimated at \(\frac{8}{7}50\) per annum. Annual expenses, \(\frac{8}{3}1,500\).

62.

UNION BANK, Haverhill.—Rates vary with time. On Boston, ¼ to ¾. New York and Philadelphia, ¼ to 1. Baltimore, ¼ to 1¼. Charleston, 1¼ to 1¾. Cincinnati, 1½ to 2¼. St. Louis, Pittsburg and Buffalo, 1 to 1½. Albany, ⅓ to 1. Hartford, ⅓ to 1¼. The profit derived from Exchange is estimated at \$600 per annum. Annual expenses, \$1,500.

63.

HAVERHILL BANK, Haverhill.—Rates vary with the time the paper has to run. On Boston, \(\frac{1}{4}\) to \(\frac{1}{2}\). New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore, \(\frac{1}{4}\) to 1. Charleston, \(1\frac{1}{4}\) to \(1\frac{3}{4}\). Louisville, Cincinnati and St. Louis, \(2\) to \(2\frac{1}{4}\). Pittsburg, \(1\frac{1}{4}\) to \(1\frac{3}{4}\). Amount received from Exchange, \(\frac{8}{2}\),000 per annum. Annual expenses, \(\frac{8}{1}\),700.

64.

Boston Bank, Boston.—The rate is \(\frac{1}{4}\) per cent. on New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore paper under 60 days; over 60 days, \(\frac{1}{2}\), On Hartford, \(\frac{1}{2}\). Albany and Providence, \(\frac{1}{4}\) to \(\frac{1}{2}\). Amount received from Exchange the last year, about \\$8,000. Annual expenses, \\$11,318.

65.

Wamesit Bank, Lowell.—Rates. On Boston, ½ to ¼. New York, ½ to 1. Salem,
½. Cincinnati, 2. On other places, ½ to 2 per cent. Amount received from Exchange is about \$400 per annum. Annual expenses, \$1,400.

66.

Lowell Bank, Lowell.—Rates sometimes vary with length of paper, but seldom. On Boston, 0. New York, ½. Philadelphia, ¾. Baltimore, 1. Charleston, 1½. Mobile, New Orleans, Louisville, Cincinnati and St. Louis, 2. Albany and Pittsburg, 1. Buffalo, 1½. Providence, Hartford, Springfield, Portland, ½. Nantucket, ¾. New Bedford, Salem, Newburyport, &c., ½. Amount received from Exchange, about \$5,000 per annum. Annual expenses, \$2,025.

67.

Appleton Bank, Lowell.—Rates are less for short paper than for long. On Boston, seldom any thing, sometimes 4. New York, 4 to 2. Philadelphia, 2.

Baltimore, 3. Most other places, from \(\frac{1}{2} \) more than the cost of collection. Amount received from Exchange does not probably exceed \\$400 per annum. Annual expenses, \\$2,500.

68.

BAY STATE BANK, Lawrence.—Rates vary with the time paper has to run. On Boston, 0. New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore, 4 to 1 per cent. Albany, Providence, Hartford, Portland, Lowell, New Bedford, Salem, &c., ½. Annual expenses, \$4,884.

69.

BEYERLY BANK, Beverly.—On Boston, nothing. New York, ¼ to ½. Philadelphia, ½. Buffalo, ¾ to 1. Providence, Portland, Lowell, New Bedford, ½. Salem, nothing. Amount received per annum, not more than \$100. Annual expenses, \$1,750.

70.

Central Bank, Worcester.—Rates vary somewhat according to time. On Boston, 4 to ½. New York, 4 to 1. Philadelphia and Baltimore, ½ to 1. Charleston, 1 to 1½. Cincinnati, 1. Buffalo and Albany, ½ to 1. Providence, ½ to 3. Portland, Lowell, New Bedford, Nantucket and Salem, 4 to 1. Amount estimated at \$3,500 per annum. Annual expenses, \$4,200.

71.

LANCASTER BANK, Lancaster. Rates vary with time. On Boston, ½ to ½. New York, ¼ to 1. Philadelphia and Baltimore, ½ to 1. Charleston and Chicago, 1½ to 2. Buffalo, 1. Albany, Providence and Hartford, ½ to ¾. Lowell, New Bedford, Salem, &c., ½. Amount received per annum estimated at \$1,000 to \$1,200. Annual expenses, \$1,950.

72.

Grand Bank, Marblehead.—On New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore, ½ to ½. Charleston, Mobile, Louisville, Cincinnati, St. Louis and Buffalo, ½ to 2. Amount realized from Exchange, about \$1,200 per annum. Annual expenses, \$1,400.

73.

MARBLEHEAD BANK, Marblehead.—On New York, ½. Philadelphia, Baltimore and Buffalo, 1. Amount received per annum, say \$300. Annual expenses, \$1,200.

74.

Framingham Bank, Framingham.—On Boston, 4. New York, 2. Philadelphia, 3. Baltimore, 3 to 1. Charleston, 1½ to 2½. New Orleans, Louisville, Cincinnati and St. Louis, 2 to 2½. Albany, Providence and Hartford, 2. Income from Exchange estimated at \$2,000 per annum. Annual expenses, \$2,100.

75.

Attleborough Bank, Attleborough.—Rates vary with the time paper has to run. On Boston, 4 to 3. New York and Philadelphia, 4 to 1. Baltimore, ½ to 14. Louisville, Cincinnati, St. Louis and Chicago, 13 to 2½. Pittsburg, 14 to 2. Buffalo and Hartford, 1 to 13. Albany, 3 to 1½. Providence and New Bedford, 4 to 1. Amount received per annum, about \$750. Annual expenses, \$1,000.

BLACKSTONE BANK, Uxbridge.—Rates vary with time. On Boston, \(\frac{1}{4}\) to \(\frac{1}{2}\). New York, \(\frac{1}{2}\) to \(\frac{3}{4}\). Philadelphia and Baltimore, \(\frac{1}{2}\) to 1. Cincinnati, 2. Providence, \(\frac{1}{4}\) to \(\frac{1}{2}\). Hartford, \(\frac{1}{2}\). Amount per annum estimated at \(\frac{8}{1}\),500. Annual expenses, \(\frac{8}{1}\),200.

77.

MILLBURY BANK, Millbury.—Rates vary with time. On Boston, ¼ to ¾. New York and Philadelphia, ¼ to 1. Providence and Hartford, ¼ to ½. Amount realized from Exchange estimated at \$1,000 per annum. Annual expenses, \$950.

78.

Neponset Bank, Canton.—Rates vary with time. On Boston, \(\frac{1}{2}\). New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore, \(\frac{1}{2}\) to 1. Louisville, \(\frac{1}{2}\). Providence, \(\frac{1}{2}\) to 1. Hartford, Portland, Lowell, New Bedford, Nantucket, Salem, &c., 1. Amount received from Exchange estimated at \\$2,000 per annum. Annual expenses, \\$2,155.

79.

Barnstable Bank, Yarmouth.—On Boston and New York, 4. Philadelphia, Providence, New Bedford, Nantucket, 4. Amount received from Exchange, \$250 per annum. Annual expenses, \$2,600.

80.

FALMOUTH BANK, Falmouth.—On Boston, usually nothing, sometimes \(\frac{1}{3}\) or \(\frac{1}{4}\). New York, Providence and New Bedford, \(\frac{1}{4}\). Amount per annum not more than \(\frac{5}{250}\). Annual expenses, \(\frac{5}{8}800\).

81.

WRENTHAM BANK, Wrentham.—Rates vary with length of paper. On Boston, if any thing, ½ to ½. New York, Philadelphia, Providence, Hartford, Portland, Lowell, New Bedford, &c., ½ to 1. Baltimore, Charleston, &c., the current rate. Amount per annum, about \$1,500. Annual expenses, \$1,500.

99

Worcester County Bank, Blackstone.—Rates vary with time. On Boston and New York, 4 to 2. Philadelphia, 2. Baltimore, 3. Providence, 2. Amount of charges from Exchange, about \$1,000 per annum. Annual expenses, \$900.

83.

MERCHANTS' BANK, Boston.—Rates do not vary with length of paper, except on New Orleans or Mobile. On New York and Philadelphia, par to ½. Baltimore, ¼ to ½. Charleston, Mobile and Buffalo, 1 to 1½. New Orleans, Cincinnati and St. Louis, 1 to 2. Louisville and Chicago, 1½ to 2. Pittsburg, 1. Albany, Hartford, Portland, Lowell, New Bedford, ¼ to ½. Providence, ½ to ½. Nantucket ½ to 1. Salem, &c., par to ½. Amount received per annum not known. Annual expenses, \$29,000.

84.

CITIZENS' BANK, Worcester.—On Boston, ½. New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, St. Louis, Providence and Hartford, 1. Amount about \$3,000 per annum. Annual expenses, \$3,150.

HOPKINTON BANK, Hopkinton.—Rates vary according to length of paper. On Boston, ½, 4 mos. New York and Philadelphia, ¾, On other places, ¼ to ½ per cent., added to what is charged by Exchange Bank. Estimated amount, \$2,000 per annum. Annual expenses, \$1,075.

86.

NORTHAMPTON BANK, Northampton.—No variation on account of time. On Boston and New York, nothing. Philadelphia, 4. Baltimore, 4. Buffalo, 4. Albany and Hartford, 4 to 4. Providence, Portland, Lowell, New Bedford, Salem, &c., 4. Amount, \$2,500 per annum. Annual expenses, \$3,200.

87.

Pynchon Bank, Springfield.—Rates vary. On Boston, ¼ to ½. New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore, ¼ to ¾. Cincinnati, 1 to 1½. Pittsburg, ½ to 1. Albany, ½. Providence and Hartford, ¼ to ½. Amount received from Exchange, \$3,000 per annum. Annual expenses, \$2,500.

88.

Powow RIVER BANK, Salisbury.—Rates vary. On Boston, 0 to ½. New York and Philadelphia, ¼ to 1. Baltimore, 1. Cincinnati, 1 to 2. Providence and New Bedford, ½ to ¾. Hartford and Portland, ½ to 1. Lowell, Salem, &c., ½. Amount per annum, about \$750. Annual expenses, \$1,400.

89.

METACOMET BANK, Fall River.—No variation on account of length of paper. On Boston and New York, 4. Philadelphia, §. Baltimore, ½. Buffalo and Albany, 3. Providence, 4. Hartford, New Bedford, Salem, &c., ½. Amount received from Exchange in ten months, \$3,300. Annual expenses, \$2,625.

90.

Massasoit Bank, Fall River.—Charges vary according to time. On Boston, 0 to §. New York, ½ to §. Philadelphia and Baltimore, ¼ to ½. Albany and New Bedford, ¼ to §. Providence, 0 to §. Hartford and Salem, ¼ to ½. Lowell, ½. Amount, about §2,250 per annum. Annual expenses, \$2,050.

91.

NORTH BRIDGEWATER BANK, North Bridgewater.—Rates vary. On Boston, 0 to 4. New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore, 4 to 1. Pittsburg, 1 to 13. Providence, 4. Estimated income from Exchange, \$1,500 per annum. Annual expenses, \$1,100.

92.

Brighton Market Bank, Brighton.—On Boston, usually 4. New York, 4 to 1. Portland, 1. Salem, 4 to 1. Amount of Exchange estimated at about \$500 per annum. Annual expenses, \$2,600.

93.

Bedford Commercial Bank, New Bedford.—Rates. On Philadelphia, Baltimore, Providence, Nantucket and Salem, J. Hartford, Portland and Lowell, Amount received from Exchange is estimated at about \$1,600 per annum. Annual expenses, \$3,600.

FAIRHAVEN BANK, Fairhaven.—Exchange is charged only on collection paper—does not amount to \$250 a year. Annual expenses, \$1,700.

95.

John Hancock Bank, Springfield. Rates do not vary with time. On Philadelphia, 4. Baltimore, ½. On other places, cost of collection. Amount, \$1,200 to \$1,500 per annum, (on \$150,000 capital.) Annual expenses, \$2,050.

96.

Grafton Bank, Grafton.—Rates vary. 4 to 1 on Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Providence, Hartford, Portland, Lowell, New Bedford, Salem, &c. Amount received, about \$80, in eleven weeks. Annual expenses, \$1,200.

97

Salem Bank, Salem.—On Boston, sometimes 4. New York, ½. Philadelphia, §. Amount received from Exchange, from \$500 to \$800 per annum. Annual expenses, \$2,870.

98.

Union Bank, Boston.—Rates vary according to time paper has to run. On New York, \(\frac{1}{4}\) to \(\frac{3}{4}\). Philadelphia and Baltimore, \(\frac{1}{4}\) to 1. Providence, Hartford and Portland, \(\frac{1}{4}\) to 1. Lowell, New Bedford, Nantucket, Salem, &c., \(\frac{1}{4}\) to \(\frac{1}{2}\). Amount received from Exchange estimated at \\$10,000 per annum. Annual expenses, \\$11,986.



The acts of the legislature of 1854, bearing on the subject of banks and banking, require a brief notice.

By an Act passed February 6, 1854, it is provided that loans by banks to the Commonwealth "shall not be deemed debts due to said banks within the intent of the 9th section, 136th chapter, of the Revised Statutes," provided that a loan of not more than five per cent. of the capital stock of said banks shall be so exempted.

It will have been noticed, that the loan of some banks, as published periodically by the secretary of the Commonwealth, has frequently exceeded the legal limit; but, in most cases, if not all, (except where it has been otherwise accounted for,) the Commissioners have found such excess to have been occasioned by a loan to the Commonwealth.

By Act of April 15, 1854, provision is made for more frequent returns, in certain particulars, to be made by the banks—a requisition obviously so reasonable and desirable that it is surprising it has so long been delayed.

No sound and well-conducted bank can fear to have its condition disclosed, and no weak or badly-managed one should be able to avoid it. A knowledge, too, of the aggregate resources of the banks is of great advantage to the commercial community; and the public good, and not the convenience or emoluments of directors and stockholders, being the great end for which they are incorporated, we have never failed to urge the required publication of all such statements as are necessary to secure this paramount object.

These returns should scrupulously set forth, as due from other banks, only what can instantly be collected of them. In some instances, due bills and memorandum checks have been classed among debts due from other banks—to small amounts indeed—but entirely objectionable, and so pronounced by us.

By another Act of same date, the annual returns required by law to be made by each bank to the secretary of the Commonwealth, showing the condition of the bank on the first Saturday of such preceding month as the Governor shall direct, shall hereafter be made, showing the condition of each bank at 7 o'clock in the afternoon of any Saturday that the Governor shall designate, provided that no distinction shall be required between bills of \$5 and upwards and smaller bills, and none between bills of the banks of this State and bills of the banks of the other New England States.

The abstract contemplated by this Act for the current year is based upon the condition of the banks as of the second Saturday in August. The Acts under which this return is made, we still think, might, upon a revision, indicate certain other items which would serve better to illustrate the condition of the several institutions. For instance, it is not unusual for a bank to incur contingent liabilities by procuring re-discounts of its own paper, whereas there is no provision of law for exhibiting to the public such transactions; though it would seem to be the object of the Acts calling for such abstracts to present these operations among the liabilities of the bank.

In regard to the legality or propriety of this practice, as we believe there is a diversity of opinion, it seems fitting that the legislature should interpose. If it is allowable for banks to re-discount their own paper when the loan is up to the legal limit, with a view to affording aid to customers, a ready way seems opened for evading the law restricting the amount of debts due to a bank. If the practice is not legal, it would be well for the public to be apprised of it.

Embarrassments have of late occurred in relation to organizing certain banking corporations, some conflict having arisen between persons named in the Act of incorporation and other subscribers to the stock. The Supreme Court has settled the question, that the persons authorized to hold and enjoy the franchise and privileges granted by an Act of incorporation are the petitioners and those associated with them prior to the approval of the Act. Still, one clause in the general laws, (Rev. Stat., ch. 44, sect. 3,) authorizing any person named in the Act to call the first meeting, might leave room for difficulties, as different times and places for meeting might be selected by different persons clothed with the same authority. Hence, an intimation is given from a very high source that "the legislature may perceive the importance of providing by more accuracy and precision in their enactments against any such

difficulty in future." [Case of the Lechmere Bank, Shaw, Chief Justice. Law Reporter, January, 1854.]

By the 15th section of the general banking law, every bank is authorized to hold such real estate as may be requisite for the convenient transaction of its business, not exceeding twelve per cent. on the amount of its capital, exclusive of what it may hold on mortgage or on execution, or take as security for or in payment of any debts.

Notwithstanding the liberal provision in this respect, banks have occasionally transcended the above-named limit, and that, too, without appropriating the estate entirely, or mainly, to the purposes prescribed. This excess may be, perhaps, in part owing to the advance in value of the property after purchase. But, when such a case arises, the time has arrived to consider whether the difficulty can be obviated by a partial sale, or by special authority, if it can be obtained for that purpose. Several banks, however, have a summary mode of disposing of the subject by charging "profit and loss" and crediting "real estate" with an amount necessary to bring them within the requirement of the law. We apprehend this practice will be found to be at variance with the letter and spirit of the law. If real estate is held in excess or otherwise, it should, in our view, have a place among the resources of the bank, and appear at its true or presumed value upon the books and in all the public exhibits of the bank.

In some banks the real estate is marked down to figures notoriously below its real worth, and in others charged off entirely; equal interests in the same property are sometimes rated very unequally; and an instance occurs to us where one institution states at \$500 the same proportion of an estate which is placed at \$2,500 by another.

We understand the general view taken in justification of this course of proceeding is, that, so long as the capital of the bank is unaffected by it, an institution whose net profits allow of it may charge off real estate at will, and that the legislature designed only to guard against inroads upon the capital beyond twelve per cent.

Our opinion is, that a literal restriction is intended, and that banks can only *hold* real estate to the amount of twelve per cent. of their capital, and that merely for banking purposes;

especially should this construction prevail when taken in connection with the broad margin for what it may hold on mortgage or execution, or as security for or in payment of debts.

Again: it does not by any means appear that the legislature had no design in framing the above section beyond that of merely protecting the capital of a bank. It is more consistent with the policy of the Commonwealth to presume that it intended to guard against an undue concentration of this species of property in the hands of corporations, apprehending, as it might, their tendency to encroach inordinately on the real estate in their vicinity, thereby "placing property out of commerce."

The Commissioners find that, in general, more care than heretofore is used in the custody of bank bills unsigned. We remarked at considerable length upon this subject in our last report. Banks may do all they can in this particular, and still some legislation is wanted. Instances have been made public within the last year of banks out of this State having been surprised by the sudden returns upon them of unwonted amounts of their own bills, which it afterwards appeared had been stolen and then filled up by strangers. Within a few months several small bills of different denominations were offered at banks and public places in this vicinity, in some instances blank as to date or names of officers, and in others with a forged signature, the same being impressions to said have been furnished to the order of a bank in Maine.

In this case, upon inquiry, we find it stated that the bank in question had reason to believe that blanks to an amount less than \$50 had been lost or abstracted from a package in transitu from the engraver to the bank.

The example illustrates the danger to be apprehended from loose or diverse modes of obtaining and keeping blank bank notes. More uniformity and some further checks are desirable. Recent experience teaches us that the issuing of a bank's own bills, this "almost regal privilege," as it is, this "immense bounty," as it is called, should be guarded, in all practicable ways, against the possibility of casualties or of over-issues.

What the Commissioners consider excessive loans have existed in some banks where the contrary appears by the published returns. This arises from the fact that such banks

loan to each other, and claim that such indebtedness constitutes no part of the loan proper. This Board has repeatedly alluded to the practice of banks borrowing of each other on interest as objectionable, though the balances ordinarily arising between them may lawfully draw interest; but we deem it quite another thing for one institution to resort to another for direct aid to enable it to extend its own loan; and still more to be reprobated is the extending of loans to banks out of the State. It has happened that such loans have been made upon business paper to mature, for which the bills are sent forward for circulation. Such negotiations, in any view undesirable, we have not hesitated to pronounce a part of those debts due the bank which are not immediately available, and therefore to be placed in the loan. But, furthermore, we object entirely to loans of this description, that is to say, mere circulation loans unconnected with the business of the vicinity, whether made to banks or individuals, especially at remote points, and mest of all at the West.

The rules laid down by the Committee on Banks and Banking at the last session of the legislature, in recommending additional bank capital, were, 1st. "That the business of any given locality clearly needed the use of the capital asked for;" and, 2d. "That there was capital there, or in the neighborhood, seeking that form of investment."

Now, there is a very considerable portion of the loan of some banks represented by names and collateral remote from home—most frequently at the West. This usage operates harshly on those in the vicinity who look for business accommodations at these banks. Here, then, is a departure in practice from the rules supposed to govern our banks in the distribution of discounts.

In some cases, bank officers may have it in their power to satisfy the Commissioners of the perfect safety of such loans, though the evidence at other times falls far short of it; still, in any view, such loans are unwise, and for reasons too clear to need much detail. Many of them, seemingly very well secured, made on advances for railroad and other enterprises incomplete, must now be renewed; for, however urgent may be the wants of the neighborhood, they cannot be called in. If banks will loan much beyond their capital and average de-

posits, it should be on early call; and, in a word, they must be content with more moderate profits, and thus escape the cares and risks incident to such a business as we are considering. All paper that comes from abroad for discount should, from that fact, be treated with some distrust. Directors cannot maintain a suitable knowledge of distant parties; and it has been remarked that such paper exposes the banks to greater danger of forgeries; while sureties or indorsers will feel less repugnance to resorting to subtle and evasive defences, to escape a liability which debtors nearer home would shrink from setting up. The Commissioners look with satisfaction on a loan which is made up from the offerings of the business men of the vicinity whose interests are identical with those of the bank; for we can estimate its value, and be sure the directors have been able to do the same.

It is needless to remark that the Commissioners have remonstrated, in the strongest terms, against this course of banking, as impolitic, illiberal and unjust. But we do not consider the public, thus far, endangered by it from the banks now in operation, though we are very sure stockholders, in some instances, will begin to experience a diminution of dividends therefrom.

An Act was passed at the last session of the General Assembly of Connecticut, whereby any bank in that State is prohibited from loaning out of its borders more than one-quarter part of its capital and deposits; in consequence whereof, these applications from without have multiplied in our quarter.

Cases have occurred in which banks allege that their capital is sufficient for domestic purposes and for these foreign calls besides. It has happened that the increase of capital granted at the last session is alleged, in some instances, not to have been needed, (contrary to expectation, indeed;) and thus the design of the Committee reporting upon the case (keeping in view the two rules referred to above) has been so far frustrated.

We have known an opinion expressed that banks are not bound to regard the wants of their own neighborhood, or to be confined within the Commonwealth even, in dispensing discounts; thus making all public considerations give place to the supposed interest of stockholders—a doctrine, we are happy to say, which is very rarely advanced, and which will never find favor with the public or the legislature.

From all this the inference is plain that the banking capital of the State is, at the least, large enough; or, if not so, any increase at present does not promise much benefit to the business community, unless dispensed with a just discrimination.

The further multiplication of banks, if they are not likely to increase business facilities, seems hardly desirable. As has before been intimated, a sharp competition prevails; the banks, generally, are loath to lessen their dividends or fall below their neighbors in this particular; and the creation of new ones induces old as well as new to procure by indirection what does not arise naturally out of the current business. The circulation, to which country banks look mainly for profits, as it becomes more subdivided by the creation of new banks, fails to satisfy the stockholders; while, in the city, the distribution of deposits among an increased number of banks detracts from their earnings.

Now, if, as we fear is apt to be the case, the banks resort to circulation loans abroad to enable them to keep up their profits to the old mark, our business men must be deprived of aid which they need, and to which they are entitled.

This subject, though heretofore remarked upon by us, has been deemed too serious, to be now passed by, without special comment.

The desire of gain, which is rather increased than diminished by the multiplication of banks, induces them to look to other sources of income, and the rates of exchange charged by them are far from being alleviated—rates which are often submitted to, rather than acquiesced in.

Exchange as taken by the banks, which has long been a subject of great, though often vague, complaint, is more generally charged than ever before. Institutions of long standing, that have avoided making a profit in this way, have latterly fallen into the example of other and more recent corporations—all of them impelled by the same motive, that actuates them in sending abroad their circulation.

Banks are authorized, in discounting drafts and bills of exchange, or notes payable at any other place than where they

are located, to charge the "existing rates" of exchange between the places of discount and of payment; but the difficulty lies in determining the elements of those existing rates. It is almost universally conceded by the banks that the length of time the paper has to run, enters into the estimate. So long as the "existing rates" are not based merely or chiefly on what would be the amount of freight and insurance between the places, the elements of exchange not being fixed by law, there is great danger that banks will exact high rates under the pretext of such uncertainty. Again: the high rates of interest ruling outside, tend to increase this species of profit, on which so many banks rely, for escape from the restrictions imposed by our usury laws.

Legislation, with a view to modifying those laws, or fixing a maximum of interest and exchange to be taken by banks, or, if practicable, by specifying what shall compose exchange, has been suggested as a remedy.

Good notes, well indorsed, or accompanied by collateral, offered by responsible men in business, ought ordinarily to be taken at simple interest, in preference to drafts on distant places, where, perhaps, the drawer may neither have nor expect to have funds. We have met with instances of notes having been made payable elsewhere, but really taken up at the place of discount; and it has been admitted that paper has been so framed "for the purpose of receiving exchange." No becoming excuse can be offered for a fiction like this, which needs only to be named to be condemned. We have invariably reproved this course of conduct, wherever, though seldom, it has been noticed; after which it has not, to our knowledge, been repeated.

By section 6, chapter 196, of the Acts of 1838, directors are prohibited from being liable individually, directly or indirectly, to the bank with which they are connected, for a sum greater than eight per cent. of its capital, or \$40,000—or, collectively, for a sum greater than thirty per cent. of its whole capital stock—unless the stockholders, at a legal meeting, shall, by express vote, authorize a greater sum; and no vote shall be valid for that purpose for a longer period than one year and thirty days from the passage thereof, nor unless it shall name the greatest amount to be so authorized.

We referred particularly to this subject in our First Annual Report, and our experience since induces us to re-urge the importance of more certainty in the terms of this extension of the privileges of directors. It has seemed to us that the law above cited contemplated a simultaneous advance, if at all, in both respects, individually and in the aggregate; but, however that may be, further reflection has confirmed us in the opinion that it is essential to the validity of a vote for the purpose that the stockholders be notified of the special object in view, when it is designed to act on so grave a matter as the modification of a standing law of such importance.

The question has been discussed in various parts of the Commonwealth, whether the renewal of the charter of a bank operates such a change between the principal and the party to whom he owes duty as to discharge the surety upon a cashier's bond, bearing date prior to the re-charter, from liability for the subsequent conduct of such officer. We have invited the attention of various legal gentlemen connected with banks to this subject, as being one which interests many of them. In several cases, banks have terminated the uncertainty by calling for new bonds. We have finally, acting under advice, concluded to address a circular to the re-chartered institutions, suggesting the propriety of causing new bonds to be substituted for those of doubtful validity now held by them.

By the first section of an Act approved April 19, 1837, banks are prohibited from loaning or issuing any of their notes or bills with an express or implied agreement that such notes or bills shall not be put into immediate circulation, or that they shall not be returned to the bank for redemption within a limited time.

The officers of our banking institutions have not ack nowl edged any violation of the above law. But the Commissioners have discovered, once or twice, the counterpart of the practice there forbidden, where banks have made loans upon the pledge of bills of other banks, though the latter disclaimed all knowledge of such a transaction. It is evident that loans on such security, though they may not violate any law of the Commonwealth, tend to produce the mischief designed to be counteracted by the Act of 1837, the objects of which are

liable to be defeated without the interposition of the legislature.

The First Annual Report of the Association of Banks for the suppression of counterfeiting has been published within the current year. It bears evidence of diligence on the part of the officers and members of the Association in the performance of the duties assumed by them, and of their fidelity to the trust reposed in them by the State. The allowance, not to exceed \$2,500 per annum, by the Commonwealth, for a term of years, for the purpose of preventing and detecting the crime of counterfeiting, was judicious in its design, and is evidently well applied.

The report contains many valuable hints for promoting the object they have in view, which cannot fail to interest men of business generally, as well as all who would eradicate the insidious evil in question from the community. We place in an appendix (A) to this report a public advertisement of the Association, holding out suitable rewards for useful information, and will remark, that we believe it has aided in bringing to justice offenders who might otherwise have escaped. It is not our province to enlarge on this subject, as the forthcoming report of the Association will doubtless detail, so far as consistently may be done, its operations for this year.

The "Little Androscoggin Company," a manufacturing corporation in the State of Maine, is mentioned in the first report of this Association as having employed the New England Bank Note Company of this city to engrave a large quantity of notes of the customary denominations in the style of bank notes. The company, it seems, claimed the right, and the Bank Note Company innocently supposed they were empowered by their charter, to issue bills. Bills were printed and about to be delivered by the Bank Note Company; to prevent which, steps were taken; and the claim of right to issue them seems to have been abandoned by the manufacturing company, as the secretary of the State of Maine denied the intention of the legislature to grant banking privileges. report of the Association very properly remarks, that, "it being apparent that bills issued upon so questionable authority would be considered spurious, and occasion loss to the holders, and create prejudice against our paper currency, the engravers were urged to suppress them."

The incidents of this case strike us as worthy the attention of the public. It is suggestive of dangers arising from the facilities at present existing for issuing bills designed to be put in circulation as money—a remedy for which the legislature may see fit in its wisdom to attempt by means of a State registry, or otherwise.

In the month of February last, the Commissioners examined the Cochitnate Bank.

The state of the bank presented by the cashier at that time was as follows:—

Capital,				\$250,000	00		
Circulation,				275,227	00		
Deposits,	•			$74,\!258$	29		
Certificates	of d	epos	it,	335	02		
Dividends u	npai	d,		224	00		
Reserved,				16,619	75		
Gain, .				11,766	00		
Due to bank	ks, (t	al.,)		6,000	00		
		•,				\$634,430	06
ī		,		\$438,819	25	\$634,430	06
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Loan, . Suffolk Ban Due from b Bills of oth Cheeks,	ık, anks, er ba	nks,		5,000 77,883 45,684	00 22 00 52	\$634,430 ·	06

Upon as careful and thorough an examination of the loan as the Commissioners could make during the week devoted to the bank, they came to the conclusion that, objectionable as was a very considerable portion of the paper, still the condition of the bank was not such as to render its further progress hazardous to the public. But they required the directors to get rid, as rapidly as possible, of the paper objected to, by obtaining other and better security, and to reduce essentially the circulation. And they were assured that these recommendations should be carried into effect.

The Commissioners deemed it important to avoid, consistently with a due regard to the security of the public, the extremity of an injunction; and they saw no reason to doubt, at the time of this examination, that there was in the loan an amount of good and available paper more than sufficient to meet all the engagements of the bank.

After this examination the Commissioners continued to keep an eye upon the proceedings of the bank, by occasional visits, and by calls upon the proper officers from time to time for the character and condition of the loan. In this way they found that the bank was apparently getting rid of the paper which had been objected to, thus warranting the expectation of its soon being able to confine itself to its true purposes—the demands of home business. But this expectation turned out to be fallacious; for, notwithstanding our recommendations, much of the paper that was withdrawn was replaced, as it afterwards appeared, by loans of an equally objectionable character.

On the 14th of April the Commissioners were apprised of the failure of the President of the bank. This event precipitated the failure of the institution.

The state of the bank at this time, as compared with that of the February examination, exhibited a small diminution of the circulation and a considerable increase of deposits; whilst the specie balances, which at that time were but \$6,000, had gone up to \$100,000 against the bank.

An application for an injunction was made on the 15th, which was granted and immediately served.

Among the liabilities of the bank—not included in its statements—were \$24,648.86, upon paper re-discounted by the Bank of the Republic, and \$33,806, negotiated by the President for the temporary use of the bank, in settling daily cash balances.

Of the loan, more than a quarter part consisted of paper connected with Railroads, Hydraulic Works, Williamsburg Water Works, and other concerns abroad, the availability of which depended upon a variety of contingencies, and as to the security of which the Commissioners were unable to obtain any satisfactory account. The liabilities of the directors at this time exceeded the maximum allowed by law, as did also the liabilities of the President the amount allowed to an individual director.

Since proceedings were commenced against the bank, it has been alleged, by a committee of the bondholders of the Lyons, Iowa, Central Railroad Company, that the bank had entered into an agreement to loan that company \$100,000 for two years. This loan, it is now stated, was effected through the agency of Messrs. Bryant, Allen & Co., of which firm the President of the bank was a partner, though the evidence of this negotiation is not afforded by the books of the bank.

At a hearing before Chief Justice Shaw, on the 20th of April, it was ordered, that E. R. Colt, A. T. Hall, and Solomon Lincoln, Esquires, who, by consent of parties, had, on the fifteenth, been appointed Agents, be Receivers to take the eustody of the bank and its concerns; and, on the fifth of June following, the injunction was made perpetual.

The true character and condition of the liabilities and assets of the bank, after the service of the injunction, will appear from an abstract of the First Report of the Agents or Receivers to the Supreme Judicial Court, which will be found in the Appendix marked (B.)

As to the causes of the failure of this Institution, two leading points may be referred to:—

First. The amount of foreign paper in the loan. This was taken, as the Directors averred, with a view to circulation and ample dividends. So disproportioned an amount of the loan in paper of this description is not to be justified by any possible view of legitimate banking. Our opinions on this point have already been given. We concurfully with a former Board of Commissioners on this subject. In a report to the Legislature, made in 1843, after referring to the fact that there were "several banks not now needed in their vicinities," they add, "In the absence of business paper in the vicinity, we find them going abroad for it." "A bank that has the prospect of habitually depending upon such paper to employ any considerable part of its capital had better close its concerns."

The large amount of this foreign paper in the Cochituate Bank erippled its operations, and may be regarded as a prominent cause of the disastrous result. This paper was fortified, indeed, by a variety of bonds as collateral, such as those of the Lyons, Iowa, Central Railroad Company, of the Niagara Hydraulic Company, of the Williamsburg Water Works, and

of the County of Johnson, in the State of Iowa—which seemed, at our examination in February, to be entitled to some value. But they are believed now to be almost entirely worthless.

The second point to which we refer is the failure of the President. This caused the failure, or led to the severe embarrassment, of many individuals and concerns that were relying more or less upon him and upon the bank for their resources. In this way, no small amount of the paper, which, at the examination in February, appeared fair and available, became entirely unavailable when the failure occurred.

Nor should we overlook here the large over-draft of about \$20,000, which was allowed on the very eve of the failure.

These causes are abundantly sufficient to account for the downfall of the bank. It is unfortunately true of this, as it is indeed of very many of the banks, that the Stockholders fail in the duty of regular and thorough examinations. We do not find that the Stockholders of the Cochituate Bank made any examination of its concerns; every thing was left to the Directors. The Board of Directors consisted of the smallest number which the law allows—five; and these gentlemen seem to have intrusted the management of the bank very much to the President; all of which we regard as inconsistent with just policy and prudent forethought.

In August last, a dividend of fifty cents was ordered to be paid to the creditors of the bank. The full amount of the dividend has been paid over, within a small fraction.

The amount of assets found by the Receivers was \$583,-422.56; the net receipts, \$168,762.40; the claims proved, \$290,117.37; amount of dividend, \$145,058.68.

The assets of the bank in the hands of the Receivers, at the date of their Report, consisted of

Notes and bills unpaid,			\$365,757 60
Memorandum checks,			50,565 00
Over-drafts,	•		20,348 85
			\$436,671 45
Regarded as of doubtful	value	, .	305,251 41
Value of assets estimated	l good	d, .	\$131,420 04

The estimated amount of liabilities of the bank, not then proved, is as follows:—

Circulation,				\$72,749 00
Deposits, .		•		. 1,649 36
Dividends un	paid,		•	. 1,424 00
				\$75,822 36

To which may be added claims in controversy, amounting to about \$25,000.

By the decision of the Supreme Judicial Court, no one class of claimants has any preference in the distribution of assets—bill-holders having a remedy by law for any deficiency against stockholders.

The failure of a bank is always to be regretted; but in this case the public will be losers, if at all, to but a small amount. The fact is not a little gratifying, that a failure of this kind has not before occurred in Massachusetts for many years.

In passing judgment on the misconduct of banks, we are bound to discriminate between evils inherent in the system and those which are the consequence of the neglect or remissness of stockholders. If the banks are almost universally managed securely, and afford remunerative returns to those interested, the system should not be condemned for a single disastrous result. It has been well said, that "no legislative acts that can be passed will supply the place of prudence, skill and integrity, in those who administer the concerns of a bank."

The following statement exhibits a comparison of the general condition of the banks included in our biennial examination, as presented in our report of last year, with the condition of those in operation on the first Monday of December, 1854, as derived from the returns recently made to the Secretary of the Commonwealth:—

CONDITION OF THE BANKS-1854.

	Capital.	Circulation.	Deposits.	Specie.	Loan.	Immediate Liabilities.	Immediate Resources.
167 Banks, 1854,	\$57,103,843	\$24,295,496	\$17,656,161	\$3,196,255	\$93,463,639	\$47,811,021	\$15,215,792
137 Banks, 1853,	. 43,381,950	19,912,839	15,290,101	3,591,762	73,728,932	41,924,630	15,048,371
Increase, .	\$13,821,893	\$4,382,657	\$2,366,060		\$19,734,707	\$5,886,391	\$197,421
Decrease,	1	1	ı	\$395,507	1	1	1

It will be borne in mind that the interval between the two periods preceding is more than a year and a half, and that the number of banks for 1854 includes all the banks incorporated in 1853, and fifteen of those chartered in 1854.

It will be seen that the specie item is below the figures of last year, when we considered it should be raised. Some of the best country banks are the most remarkable for this deficiency; and it would not be so censurable if their specie balances in the city were correspondingly large. Here, too, they are apt to be remiss and we fear will continue so, till stockholders are content with smaller dividends, and cease to importune Directors to use their means so closely.

Finally, though we have freely enumerated those practices which fail to meet our approbation, it is not to be inferred that we have not seen much to commend. On the contrary, our knowledge of the officers and resources of our banks enables us to bear willing and unequivocal testimony to the general ability and integrity with which they are conducted.

Thereupon, we congratulate stockholders and the public; for, whatever restraints and limitations may be placed by law upon these institutions, their safety and utility must in a great measure depend, as has before been said—and it cannot be too often repeated—upon the intelligence and honesty of those who are intrusted with their management.

SAVINGS BANKS.

The whole number of Savings Banks in operation in this Commonwealth, at the date of our last annual report, was sixty-one. Sixteen new savings institutions were chartered by the Legislature of 1854, twelve of which have commenced business. The new incorporations are the following:—

Boston Five Cents Savings Bank at Boston.

People's Five Cents Savings Bank " "

The South End Five Cents Savings Bank " "

Amherst Savings Bank " Amherst.

East Cambridge Five Cents Savings Bank " Cambridge.

Charlestown Five Cents Savings Bank " Charlestown.

Chelsea Savings Bank " Chelsea.

Warren Five Cents Savings Bank " Danvers.

Lowell Five Cents Savings Bank
Millbury Savings Bank
Newburyport Five Cents Savings Bank
North Brookfield Savings Bank
Springfield Five Cents Savings Bank
Winchendon Savings Bank
Woburn Five Cents Savings Bank
Worcester Five Cents Savings Bank

- at Lowell.
 - " Millbury.
 - " Newburyport.
 - " North Brookfield.
 - " Springfield.
 - " Winchendon.
 - " Woburn.
 - " Worcester.

In addition to the above should be reckoned the institution chartered in 1845, under the name of the "Cabot Savings Bank," but which was not organized until the present year, and which was authorized by the last Legislature to change its name to "Chicopee Savings Bank." This makes the number of savings institutions now in operation in this Commonwealth seventy-four. All the Five Cents Savings Banks that were chartered at the last session of the Legislature have commenced business, except the "South End Five Cents Savings Bank," in Boston. We have received no definite information in regard to the institutions incorporated in Amherst, North Brookfield and Winchendon; but we understand they are making preparations to commence business forthwith.

Savings institutions continue to maintain a high place in the public favor, as evinced by the ratio of increase in the number and amount of deposits this year. The following table shows their general growth for successive years since 1834:—

Year.	Number of Depositors.	Amount of Deposits.	Year.	Number of Depositors.	Amount of Deposits
1834	24,256	\$3,407,773 90	1845	58,178	\$9,813,287 50
1835	27,232	3,921,370 83	1846	62,893	10,680,933 10
1836	29,786	4,374,578 71	1847	68,312	11,780,812 74
1837	32,564	4,781,426 29	1848	69,894	11,970,447 64
1838	33,063	4,869,392 59	1849	71,629	12,111,553 64
1839	36,686	5,608,158 75	1850	78,823	13,660,024 34
1840	37,470	5,819,553 60	1851	86,537	15,554,088 58
1841	41,423	6,714,181 94	1852	97,353	18,401,307 80
1842	42,587	6,900,451 70	1853	117,404	23,370,102 33
1843	43,217	6,935,547 07	1854	136,654	25,936,857 63
1844	49,699	8,261,345 18			

The continued accumulation of deposits, exceeding that of all former periods, with one exception, cannot fail to arrest the attention of every thoughtful observer.

The number of savings institutions examined by the Commissioners, during the year now drawing to its close, was thirty-five; their names and location, with the dates of their examinations, are exhibited in the following table:—

Sarings Institutions Examined—1854.

Counties	9		Cities or Towns.	Towns.			Names of Institutions.	Date of Examination.	
Suffolk, .		vi.	Boston, . Boston, . Chelsea, .				Boston Five Cents Savings Bank,	October "	6 10 13
Essex,	•	·	Gloucester, Rockport, . Andover, . Haverbill, . Salisbury, .				Cape Ann Savings Bank, Rockport Savings Bank, Andover Savings Bank, Haverhill Savings Bank, Provident Institution for Savings, in the towns of Salisbury and Amesbury,	May " July " October	255 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25
Mindlesex,		•	Cambridge, Waltham, Cambridge, Framingham, Charlestown, Woburn,				Cambridgeport Savings Bank, Waltham Savings Bank, East Cambridge Five Cents Savings Bank, Framingham Savings Bank, Charlestown Five Cents Savings Bank, Woburn Five Cents Savings Bank,	March May June August October	25 118 129 26
Worcester,		<u></u>	Milford, Lancaster, Clinton, Blackstone,				Milford Savings Bank,	June August September	30
Hampshire,		•	Ware,		•	•	Ware Savings Bank,	May	19

		$\overline{}$	Soringfield,	•	•	_	Hampden Savings Bank,		•	•	•	September 28	28
			Springfield,	•	•		Springfield Five Cents Savings Bank,		•	•	•	"	28
HAMPDEN, .		·-	Chicopee,	•	•		Chicopee Savings Bank,			•	•	3	66
			Westfield,	•	•		Westfield Savings Bank,			•	٠	"	ŝį
		_	Dorchester, .	•	•		Dorchester Savings Bank,			٠	•	May	10
Norrolk.		~	Randolph,	•	•		Randolph Savings Bank,			•	•	June	: ::
	,	_	Canton,	•	•		Canton Institution for Savings, .			•	•	August	99
Bristol, .			Fairhaven, .	•	•		Fairhaven Institution for Savings, .	•		•	•	November	€
		_	Abington,	•	•		Abington Savings Bank,	•	•	•	•	May	73
			Plymouth,	•	•		Plymouth Savings Bank,		•	•	•	July	ဗ ·
		_	Wareham, .	•	•		Wareham Savings Bank,		•	•	•	September	7
Регмости.		~	North Bridgewater,		•		North Bridgewafer Savings Bank, .			•	•	October	30 30
			Hingham,	•			Hingham Institution for Savings,		•		٠	3	₹; ;
		_	Scituate,	٠	٠		Scituate Savings Bank,		•	•	•	:	7.
			South Scituate, .	•	•		South Scituate Savings Bank,			•	•	3	25
BARNSTABLE,			Barnstable, .	•	٠		Institution for Savings in the town of Barnstable.	ernstal	ole, .	•	٠	September	C)
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The condition of the Institutions enumerated above will appear in the subjoined statement:--

Statement of the condition of the Savings Banks visited by the Commisssioners in 1854.

Amount of Dividends of reserved profits during the last five years.	\$\$800 00 \$\$800 00 \$\$110 71 \$\$210 71 \$\$210 20 9\$19 22 1,805 47 1,718 88 2,036 03 None.
Average Annual por cent of Dividends for the last five years.	1 1 1 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
Rate per cent of ordinary.	400000 104 100000044 goo
Average Annual Expenses ses for the last five years.	\$190 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 0
Amount of Depesies by Religious or Charitable Associations.	None. None. None. 8150 00 115 74 None. None. 186 13 4,894 25 500 00 1,914 59 4,816 91 None. None. 223 75 6,107 31 1,032 36 None.
Amount due Depositors.	\$18,042 75 15,308 72 10,167 00 21,197 39 43,430 48 5,532 00 85,641 57 14,363 46 2,333 12 29,500 81 695,036 91 228,108 84 507,709 66 134,418 05 17,511 50 112,306 41 52,296 15 284,959 16 284,959 16 284,959 16 284,959 16
Lumber of Depositors.	1511 1511 1511 152 153 153 153 153 153 153 153 153 153 153
Date of Examination.	Mar. 29 Mar. 29 May 5 " 11 " 13 " 28 " 30 July 6 " 21 " 21 " 11 " 11 " 18 " 21 " 21 " 30 Sept. 29
Location.	Cambridge, Abington, Dorchester, Waltham, Gloucester, Rockport, Ware, Gambridge, Milford, Plymouth, Andover, Clinton, Canton, Canton, Canton, Canton, Canton, Canton, Barnetable, Wareham,
NAME OF INSTITUTION.	Cambridgeport Savings Bank, Abington Savings Bank, Dorchester Savings Bank, Waltham Savings Bank, Cape Ann Savings Bank, Rockport Savings Bank, Ware Savings Bank, Randolph Savings Bank, Randolph Savings Bank, Rifford Savings Bank, Milford Savings Bank, Plymouth Savings Bank, Andover Savings Bank, Clinton Savings Bank, Rramingham Savings Bank, Canton Institution for Savings, Institution Savings Bank, Ratich for Savings—town of Barnstable, Wartelam Savings Bank, Blackstone Savings Bank,

Hampden Savings Bank.		Sprinofield.	3	3	46.1	98,553 43			17	1	~
Springfield Five Cents Savings Bank,		Springfield,	"	80	785	22,559 99	None.	281	1	ı	-*
	•	Chicopec,	"	53	1111	9,723 22			ı	ı	*
, <u>1</u>	٠	Westfield,	99	68	200	23,109 44		44	13	ı	*
Provident Institution for Savings in the	16		_								
towns of Salisbury and Amesbury,	•	Salisbury, .	oc Oc	10	1,999	198,587 69	None.		9	$6^{\frac{1}{12}}$	3,14481
Boston Five Cents Šavings Bank,	•	Boston,	3	ပ	4,699	154,791 94	1,032 88	3,500 00	4	1	*
People's Five Cents Savings Bank, .	•	Boston,	"	10	985	18,477 32	None.		1	1	**
Charlestown Five Cents Savings Bank,	•	Charlestown, .	"	<u>e</u>	203	1,948 08	50 00		ı	1	*
Chelsea Savings Bank,		Clielsea,.	33	9	350	4,769 68	None.	189	1	1	*
North Bridgewater Savings Bank, .	•	N. Bridgewater	3	0 č	33	26,097 40	207 54	537	10	ı	+
Hingham Institution for Savings, .	•	Hingham,	"	51	1,855	441,491 94	4.970 00	500 06	70	20	13,374 74
Scituate Savings Bank,	•	Scituate, .	7,	75	133	18,560 90	300 00	1		70	
South Scituate Savings Institution,	•	S. Scituafe, .	"	200	770	109,851 81	200 00	425	ıo	- 79	4,515 32
Woburn Five Cents, Savings Bank,	•	Woburn,	33	96	88	5,058 59	None.		1	1	*
Fairhaven Institution for Savings, .		Fairhaven, .	Nov	v. 9	575	188,974 79	279 64		9	$5\frac{7}{12}$	Nonc.
					26,782	\$3,901,606 69					
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Average Amount due to each depositor, \$145 68 100.

* The Institutions marked thus (*) had been in operation but one year, or less than one year, at the time of their examination. †Those marked thus (†) had been in operation less than five years, when examined.

We have heretofore traced the history and remarked on the working of these institutions, intimating such departures from law as we found to exist, and recommending, as well, what we thought appropriate for carrying out the design of the State, and fulfilling the general expectation in regard to them.

Referring, then, to past reports, we shall be content, at present, with offering such hints as are prompted by late experience, repeating only those strictures which a sense of duty renders imperative.

An unusual number of savings banks were incorporated at the late session of the General Court, owing, in a great measure, to the sudden call for charters for a class of incorporations generally denominated "Five Cents Savings Banks," avowedly, in the outset, for the accommodation of depositors whose small contributions, it was presumed, would not be taken by the older institutions. Applications for this description of charters were foreseen at the close of last year, and we then took occasion to intimate the propriety of restricting the aggregate of individual deposits in such banks to a very moderate amount, small in itself, but great to the persons in question. This would not hinder the professed objects of the petitioners in such cases, while other institutions would be open to the contributors of larger sums.

In fine, the necessity, on public or prudential grounds, for the incorporation of mere penny savings banks, as such, was not, nor is, apparent to us. It is competent for savings banks generally, under a regulation for that purpose, to receive any deposit, however small; and, in one instance at least, an institution of considerable magnitude has so modified its by-laws; and if, for this object simply, new charters are not needed, we feel constrained to urge that, in our view, it is not desirable to multiply savings banks, without particular regard to their locality, and a careful consideration of the merits of each case. Assurance, in the nature of a pledge, should be obtained beforehand, that petitioners will undertake the management of them in good faith. Latterly, we have found corporators, under some of the recent Acts, often reluctant, and sometimes utterly averse, to engaging in the discharge of duties so considerable, and involving responsibilities so serions.

The considerations connected with this subject are so weighty, we cannot forbear dwelling a moment on the importance of maintaining the standard of these institutions. The Commonwealth and the older corporations, with their numerous depositors, have the deepest interest in the purity and efficiency of every new bank for savings. No reflecting person can fail to deprecate the possibility of serious disaster to one of these institutions. The most diminutive of them could not suffer but all the others must suffer with it; and society at large, in the end, must feel the wound.

The incorporation of a savings bank is an important movement; and as such, we would state, in passing, that no formal notice is now required to be given to the Secretary of the Commonwealth of the time when it goes into operation. There should be more formality about it; otherwise (instances of which have occurred) a corporation may be doing the work of a savings bank, year after year, while waiting to receive a blank return from the State Department, which has no means of knowing, or sufficient reason for taking notice, of its existence.

We are naturally led here to speak of certain voluntary associations, under the name and in the similitude of savings banks, that have made their appearance, mention of which was formerly made by us, and which, upon reflection, we consider deserving of further remark. We have before us, in the form of a small book, the printed proposals of one such association for receiving on deposit any sums above five cents, to be repaid, after one week's notice, with an interest of six per cent. per annum. Persons may be induced to make use of this class of depositories in the belief that they are State institutions; whereas the money so placed is not cared for under the laws that regulate investments made by savings banks that are created by the State; but the failure of a private trustee of this description might produce most unhappy consequences, by impairing confidence in chartered institutions.

If evil results, so much to be deplored, may flow from the source in question, it is worthy of consideration whether an Act may not be framed, making it an offence for any man, or body of men, to take the semblance of a savings bank without authority of law.

Some of the recently chartered savings banks have not yet commenced operations, and a few have hardly developed themselves. In those that have commenced, the bulk of the deposits is made up from contributions of the ordinary character and amount, a comparatively small portion being derived from fractional parts of a dollar. We are happy to remark, however, that we have met with many examples, among trustees and managers, of the most praiseworthy diligence in the performance of the gratuitous duties they have assumed.

In this connection, we urge that it is incumbent on the members of savings banks, equally with stockholders of banks of discount, to be constant in attending annual meetings for the choice of officers. Vigilance on their part, in this particular, will be more likely than any other course to establish a sense of responsibility in the investing officers, and secure the confidence of depositors and the public.

No general laws were passed at the last session of the General Court in relation to savings banks, though several propositions were entertained in reference to their conduct, which indicate that they are steadily kept in view by the government. In various cases special authority was given these corporations to hold real estate to a limited amount, no part thereof to be so invested except in the purchase of a suitable site, and the erection or preparation of a suitable building to be used for the banking purposes of the corporations.

It is to be borne in mind that savings banks cannot make investments of this character without such permission; and even then it is taken for granted that the outlay will be made with economy, as well as with a view solely to the objects prescribed.

The chief topics of inquiry above alluded to, to which the appropriate committee of the Legislature appears to have given heed, were those involved in the subject of a more equal distribution of the profits of savings banks. A bill was reported to the Senate, (No. 92,) by the Joint Committee on Banks and Banking, providing that all savings banks should divide among depositors, &c., in just proportion, their profits, to the amount of five per cent. per annum, if the income, after deducting reasonable expenses of management, should amount to that sum; and requiring furthermore that said banks, every third

year, should make an extra dividend of the residue of net profits. As this bill did not become a law, the subject may yet be thought worthy the attention of the Legislature.

It would be superfluous for us to reiterate our opinions upon this and other points of interest in the structure and management of these corporations, upon which we enlarged in our last and previous reports. Those opinions upon the just and equal distribution of profits, upon the propriety of limiting savings banks in the amount of their aggregate deposits, having reference to the locality or other circumstances of each case, and of paying, to depositors of five hundred dollars and under, one per cent. per annum more than to depositors of larger amount, were founded upon considerations which gather added force from later observation and the concurrent testimony of an enlightened public opinion. Reasons abound and increase in favor of placing a definite restriction to the accumulation of property in hands that never die, exempt as it is, in a great measure, from a proportion of the public charges.

It is worthy of remark, that several institutions have substituted the plan of five per cent. dividends for the lesser rate; and, in a few instances, a rule has been made to divide the extra profits every three years instead of five—thereby approxmating the legal requirement of just and equal dividends. We find, too, that those who have been in the practice of dividing six per cent. per annum have, as they say, experienced no inconvenience therefrom.

The alliance of savings institutions with banks was objected to by us last year, and we have been pleased to find that a disposition prevails to sunder such connections as the lesser institution acquires strength; and the purpose has, in some instances, been effected. It will be obviously better for both to stand alone in all cases.

Inquiries having frequently been made of the Commissioners whether savings banks are taxable for bank stock held by them, we have thought proper to say that the Supreme Judicial Court decided, in October, 1853, that savings banks are not taxable for their investments in bank stock—they paying interest on the deposits received by them, and the bank stock, therefore, not being in the light of "moneys at interest due to the persons to be taxed more than they pay interest for."

In reply to our interrogatories concerning unclaimed dividends or balances in savings banks, information has been elicited of several sums that have lain dormant for a course of years silently and regularly increasing, by the addition of the accruing dividends which are passed to their credit. We take it all these accounts are to be considered as regularly kept in view by the original depositors, unless a strong presumption exists that the party has deceased. Referring to our recommendation last year upon this topic, we have to add, that we deem it quite important that some provision of law should require funds of this description to be disclosed, for the obvious purpose of bringing them to the notice of the proper parties.

The bonds of Treasurers of saving institutions, as well as of Cashiers of banks, should be drawn with care, and made to cover the conduct of such officers under succeeding as well as preceding elections—some of these officers, as well as Cashiers, being chosen annually. If the recital of the bond or the corporation records make it appear that the office is annual, the bond should be renewed annually; otherwise, it is understood that the bond remains in force during the incumbent's continuance in office, though he be elected annually.

We took occasion to advert, heretofore, to the importance of carefully classifying the investments in savings banks, under the appropriate modes prescribed by law; and our remarks upon what we termed mixed loans seem, in some quarters, to have created an impression that we objected to taking additional security of another character in any case where it may seem to be needed. Our design was, to enforce the propriety of so confining the security to one form that it could be justified within that particular mode.

Upon that point, as well as in reference to the practice of substituting guarantors for sureties, a practice which is too prevalent, the Commissioners take this opportunity to say that they have been gratified by the perusal of a report recently made by a Board of Auditors (consisting of Messrs. F. T. Merrick, C. A. Hamilton, and Charles W. Hartshorn) to the corporation of the Worcester County Institution for Savings, at Worcester, in reference chiefly to the mortgages belonging to that institution. The report is very thorough, and evinces

patient research and a most conscientious regard for the welfare of the institution.

We cannot forbear making an extract or two from this valuable report, as offering an illustration of our views on the two subjects adverted to, and as deserving the attention of similar committees elsewhere.

Upon the matter of guarantors, these gentlemen say, "In the cases named. &c., it seems to have been considered necessary to take the guaranty of some persons other than the maker of the note in order to perfect the security; but the form which has recently been adopted would impose upon the institution the necessity of demand and notice, not with the same strictness as in the case of an indorser, but still within a reasonable time, in case of any change of the circumstances of the maker; in other words, in the only case in which it would be desirable to enforce the guaranty, it would be discharged, unless there were demand and notice. In some cases, the guaranty, appearing to be given subsequently to the original making of the note, could not be enforced without proof of some new consideration. The excellent printed form of guaranty which was formerly used by the institution, and of which some still remain on file, avoids both these difficulties, as would the simple indorsement of the guarantor 'waiving demand or notice."

The report in question contains the following remarks on mixed loans, which are well worthy of notice: "Many loans are found which appeared to be made partly on the strength of mortgages, and partly on some additional names, but none of these which do not appear perfectly satisfactory at present, except as hereinbefore stated. It may be proper, however, to suggest that, in an institution like this, these mixed securities may be placed on the files, and it may not be kept in mind that any thing besides the mortgage was relied on; and further, that, except in the case of a witnessed note, all claim against any party, except the one who has actually made payments, would be barred at the expiration of six years; and still more, that, in case of the decease of any party, all claim against his estate might be barred at the end of the short space of two years by recent legislation."

The disclosures of this committee, and the result of our own

investigations elsewhere, frequently remind us of the great care required to maintain, as well as to ascertain, in the first instance, the sufficiency of securities on mortgage. With this class of loans, the safest course is that adopted by some of our earliest institutions—of calling in, every year, a small per cent. of the principal.

Great diversity of opinion prevails, and much speculation is had among officers and others, as to the best modes of investment; and it is a very common thing to hear it remarked, that the range now permitted by law should be enlarged. We have not yet thought so, and have expressed ourselves to that effect heretofore. Especially is this theory correct if the institutions were moving in the more limited sphere originally designed for them.

Without doubt, the aggregate of these deposits throughout the State greatly exceeds what could have been expected, and what the idea of banks of savings such as were contemplated would justify. If these banks were limited in amount in the outset, then managers could much better adjust the proportions to be laid out in the several modes. They would be able, then, to proceed and supply, from time to time, any deficiency in a particular class, and, by applying here a little and there a little, could better maintain the healthy working of the whole.

And, at any rate, even upon the plan of admitting, as is done too frequently, the deposits of men of ample means and ability to manage their own funds, we believe investments may be judiciously and safely made of these funds as they accumulate in any part of the Commonwealth under the requirements of the law. Mortgages as a basis, and in many localities as a prevailing feature, are undoubtedly judicious; but other and more immediate resources must be relied on to meet the emergencies of pecuniary embarassment. At such times, mortgages cannot be forced at auction without enormous sacrifice. A suitable proportion of the funds must be so placed that it can more readily be converted into cash.

In the course of our earlier examinations, we found railroad bonds and other assets held by savings banks, the prompt disposal of which we have caused to be made, and which, if held to this time, would have been attended with deplorable loss. And yet we occasionally witness recommendations for enlarging the power of loaning on railroad securities and extending it to manufacturing stocks; and if the present system should be disturbed, the favorite enterprises of different localities would perhaps too easily gain admission among the permitted modes; and thus the lessons of experience, we fear, will have been learned to little purpose. The public funds of the United States and of this Commonwealth afford the most perfect security; and we have been surprised that these, as well as loans to counties and towns within this State, are not more sought after by the financial officers of savings banks.

We are reluctant to restate our opinions heretofore expressed upon what we consider objectionable practices, but cannot omit to mention that some savings banks adhere to the business of discounting notes, and defend the procedure as right, because not forbidden, but which we look upon as entirely without legal sanction. They seem to claim to do, in this respect, what an individual might do; whereas we suppose and enjoin that, created as they are for the public benefit, their powers and privileges are clearly defined by their charters and the general laws; that they are not capable of personal acts in their corporate character, nor have any other capacities than those required to accomplish the purposes of their creation. this is not allowable as a personal act, (constituting as it does, one of the privileges for the enjoyment of which banks of discount pay a tax to the Commonwealth,) it cannot be called an express power, unless under the permission to loan money to a principal and two sureties within the State. this permission is only given to savings banks in the failure of their being able conveniently to loan or invest in the forms prescribed in the 78th section, chapter 36, of the Revised Statutes.

If savings banks are to persist in this course of conduct, we hope it will be under the sanction of the Legislature, otherwise that it will at once be prohibited by law. In this, and in all respects, the rights and duties of every savings bank in the Commonwealth should be plain beyond a doubt.

But if there is any doubt on this point, there is very little in regard to most of the modes of investment laid down by law. The relation of the managers of savings banks to their depositors is so strictly fiduciary that they cannot but be held responsible for loss or depreciation arising from loans or investments not exactly legal. As regards the disposal of this species of funds, their duty is as plain and well defined as if the form of investment had been prescribed by an order of court; and such indeed it is, of the highest kind.

The funds deposited in our savings banks are generally invested with care, and produce handsome dividends to the depositors. In these respects, and especially in conforming to the legal modes of loan or investment, there has been an improvement within a few years past.

Savings banks were established for the purpose, as has been often repeated, of providing a safe place of deposit for the small earnings of the laboring classes, and thereby promoting among them a spirit of industry, economy and forethought. The safety of the funds intrusted to their care was the primary object to which the attention of the Legislature was directed in framing the laws by which these institutions are to be governed. It was intended to separate them, as far as practicable, from the ordinary fluctuations of commercial business; and the disposal of them is, therefore, confined by law to certain specified descriptions of public stocks and private securities. convert such institutions into offices, for the discount of commercial bills and notes, would be a plain violation of the intention of the Legislature, and a subversion of the principles upon which they are founded. Without doubt, their funds might be safely loaned on commercial paper selected with care; but the transition is so easy, and almost unavoidable, from a sparing exercise of this discretion to a general practice of commercial discounting, that every departure from the strict letter of the law ought to be viewed as a dangerous innovation, if not a breach of trust, and, as such, to be marked with general disapprobation.

> SAMUEL PHILLIPS. W. B. CALHOUN. HENRY B. GROVES.

Boston, December 30, 1854.

APPENDIX.

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[A.]

TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS REWARD.

To the Bill and Coin Brokers, City Marshals and Police Officers, and the public generally of New England, the Middle States and Canada.

The Association of Banks for the Suppression of Counterfeiting will pay to the person who shall furnish information which shall lead to the conviction and sentence of the parties herein mentioned the following sums, to wit:—A reward of two hundred and fifty dollars for each person convicted and sentenced for engraving a plate or plates for counterfeit bank bills, or dies for altering bank bills; and a reward of twenty-five dollars for each person convicted and sentenced for uttering or passing counterfeit bank bills; said sums to be paid upon the presentation of the certificate of the Judge or the prosecuting officer of the Court where such conviction shall be obtained—provided said counterfeits are on the banks in New England. Suitable rewards will also be paid for the conviction and sentence of the makers of counterfeit coin, or of dies for the same, and for the uttering of such coin. The above are additional to any rewards authorized by State laws.

Per order of Executive Committee.

CHARLES B. HALL, Secretary.

Boston, August 17, 1854.

ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS REWARD.

To the Manufacturers of Bank Note Paper.

The Executive Committee of the Association of Banks for the Suppression of Counterfeiting hereby offer a reward of one hundred dollars for the best specimen in the opinion of the Committee, of bank note paper, of not less than five hundred sheets, which may be submitted to them on or before the first day of January next.

All papers submitted, except that selected by the Committee, to be returned to the persons submitting the same.

CHARLES B. HALL, Secretary.

Boston, August 17, 1854.

[B.]

\$403,326 72

Expenses incurred, and others accruing, will constitute an additional liability for future settlement.

THE ASSETS OF THE BANK.

Upon these we remark in their order.

- 1. Over drafts. They amount to \$20,708.56, of which \$20,367.30 is against parties who have suspended payment.

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- 3. Suffolk Bank. The special deposit will be available to balance the claim of that bank to a similar amount.
- 4. Bank of the Republic. The state of the account with this bank has been adverted to. We do not suppose that, on a final adjustment, any balance will be conceded as due to the Cochituate Bank; but, on the contrary, a balance of several thousand dollars will be claimed against this bank.
 - 5. Nassau Bank. This claim is regarded as perfectly good.
- 6. Bills. This item of \$6,272 was found to be correct, less \$20 for counterfeit bills; to which should be added \$52, current bills found among Cochituate bills.
- 7. Checks. Of the amount stated, a balance remains due of \$50,144, a large part of which is due from parties who have suspended or are insolvent, and which we apprehend to be of doubtful value; the amount was overstated by the Cashier \$21.86.
- 8. Specie. The item of specie (\$231.13) embraces expenses and other items to the amount of \$43.07, leaving the actual amount of specie \$189.19, being over the amount stated by Cashier \$1.13.

The liabili	ties o	f the	banl	k, as l	before	e state	ed, we	ere					
Absolute,												\$346,302	76
Contingent,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	٠	•	•	•	57,023	96
With expens	es to	be ad	ded,									\$403,326	72
The assets, as	s befo	re sta	ted,	are								617,687	91
Of which the	ere ar	e ove	r dra	ifts fr	om fa	iled p	parties	s, .				20,144	19
Loan due an	d not	due:	from	. susp	ended	l part	ies, o	r cons	sidere	d dou	bt-		
ful, .												219,661	93
Bank of the	Repu	blic,										30,038	41
Checks doub												46,144	00
												\$315,988	53

[C.] Average Condition of the Banks out of Boston, for Four Weeks, ending December 2, 1854.

DANKS.	Cap	Capital Stock.	Loans and Dis- count.	Specie in Bank.	Due from other Banks.	Due to other Banks.	Deposits.	Circulation.
Abington,		3150,000	\$266.091	\$1.944	\$16.812		\$27.682	\$98.925
Adams.		200,000	367.203	5,078	30,290	13. 13.	39,708	149,038
Agawani.		200,000	370,957	2,067	84,185	1.701	6.51	900,451
Agricultural.		200,000	396,515	7,169	67,598	3,368	33,058	250,734
Andover.		250,000	355,166	5,942	19,084	-	24.931	88,336
Appleton,		200,000	387,127	6,184	52.547	ı	71,349	163,808
Asiatic,		210,000	395,246	10,956	42,781	13,546	84,303	133,912
Attleborough,		100,000	178,585	4,436	1,774	2,530	20,012	53,001
Barnstable,		350,000	657,281	8.855	31,183	. 1	22,593	283,534
Bass River,		57,053	82,097	4,355	3,878	34	4,874	46,902
Bay State,		500,000	774,982	13,712	55,735	1,740	59,277	263,411
Sedford Commercial, .		000,009	932,385	9,970	47,895	44,247	96,538	251,572
Beverly,		125,000	249,247	5,682	12,858	665	41,526	93,000
Blackstone,	_	100,000	178,674	6,009	17,156	101	20,759	72,051
Blue Hill,	_	150,000	277,721	7,732	21,171	ı	59,444	94,368
Brighton,	_	250,000	478,717	8,751	31,990	3,883	41,777	198,798
Brighton Market,	_	100,000	197,242	5,351	36,085	. 1	19,134	124,683
Bristol County,	_	350,000	574,624	4,709	34,011	2,653	96,296	147,733
Bunker Hill,	_	300,000	593,524	20,02	20,02	. 1	195,000	189,145
Cabot,		150,000	264,024	4,886	23,580	098	15,745	122,724
Sambridge,	_	100,000	199,334	6,503	11,924	3,021	29,577	77,233
Cambridge City,	_	100,000	198,359	4,788	14,799	, I	27,332	82,598
Sambridge Market, .	_	150,000	277,146	4,326	7,920	2.809	15,403	115,814
Sentral,		350,000	542,647	16,476	28,950	4,248	91,659	123,002
Charles River,		100,000	173,727	13,183	31,200	, I	52,830	51,880
Thiconee.		200,000	770 777	0,750	46,560	9 850	12629	016,659

Average Condition of the Banks, &c.—Continued.

Lechmere,	\$200,294 351,018 337,301 356,192 580,820 337,730	\$5,856		Banks.		
		1000	\$54,026	ı	\$61,591	\$96,155
		4,000	96,706	\$1,866	19,411	208,331
		6,918	29,005	256	16,398	139,366
		3,303	34,454	379	33,962	125,026
		7,738	52,987	7,725	67,430	145,543
		4,907	39,273	. 1	51,553	106,818
A		4,779	33,423	9,942	19,730	144,569
		6 101	4,671	. 1	14,432	82,362
		7,594	15,004	1	10,284	890'68
		9,159	24,347	12,934	157,365	217,108
		8,886	13,607	4,599	46,294	94,522
		5,881	14,316	. 1	37,431	59,073
		9,035	16,645	4,335	76,099	157,982
		9,310	14,145	5,409	49,309	90,368
		15,530	11,276	11,778	66,593	171,944
		4,864	5,078	6,081	60,736	59,091
, New Bedtord, .		7,162	19,004	28,610	182,407	320,277
_		10,887	17,612	2,335	57,135	111,108
_		6,96,6	34,670	4,051	86,828	99,798
Lowell,		2,653	15,152	1	15,113	61,875
•		6,318	29,536	8,064	35,779	980,89
•		10,438	34,926	4,907	68,285	193,466
•		5,996	14,798	. 1	27,496	103,300
		3,930	2,030	1,205	11,412	46,048
iver.		4,871	19,399	1	5,437	102,484
	111,213	6,673	10,595	2,323	3,468	49,195
Vollaston,		3,203	10,077	1	43,114	898,368

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176,577	89,150	110,030	181,135	74,058	123,431	127,457	53,669	148,725	51,494	79,571	261,266	108,594	107,221	164,915	172,419	68,174	118,066	354,193	90,951	102,519	106,788	173,282	51,621	98,683	52,320	59,681	188,584	193,875	99,591	55,605	63,146
_					_														49,786						_						35,879
3,234	1	14,632	535	1	33	1	603	1,190	1	533	6,037	1	1	1	815	ı	2,698	542	5,548	ı	1	ı	3,260	6,512	1	ı	5,809	8,527	. 1	300	673
36,737	16,981	16,834	72,110	16,334	89,553	40,355	5,331	137,139	16,589	16,157	66,973	35,235	31,337	43,596	35,300	55,854	21,825	29,210	16,765	19,130	196'88	33,205	12,923	468	13,178	11,692	16,894	29,935	24,981	20,465	14,138
10,826	4,669	6,230	8,378	5,186	9,157	7,409	2,769	11,386	4,337	14,013	5,677	9,538	6,081	6,206	6,833	5,091	9,400	8,951	8,454	10,018	4,301	24,203	5,361	7,880	6,713	4,049	6,954	7,238	4,145	4,149	2,785
802,254	202,527	292,284	384,515	172,057	203,212	293,304	162,412	369,487	98,048	288,697	534,933	283,587	198,118	398,665	299,418	201,979	390,420	1,054,166	307,480	230,103	199,698	401,394	320,964	264,740	146,864	161,191	507,794	673,749	156,434	232,568	194,333
500,000	100,000	150,000	200,000	100,000	100,000	150,000	100,000	200,000	53,237	150,000	300,000	150,000	100,000	200,000	150,000	100,000	250,000	600,000	150,000	121,325	100,000	250,000	250,000	150,000	100,000	100,000	300,000	350,000	80,463	150,000	100,000
•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	-	-	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•			
•		•	•		•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•			•	•			•	•	•	•					•
Naumkeag.	Neponset	Newton.	Northampton, .	North Bridgewater,	Ocean.	Old Colomy.	Oxford.	Pacific,	Pemberton.	People's.	Pittsfield.	Plymouth,	Powow River.	Prescott	Pynchon.	Onincy Stone.	Quinsigamond.	Railroad.	Randolph.	Rockland,	Rockport	Rollstone, .	Salem,	Southbridge, .	South Reading,	Spicket Falls.	Springfield.	Taunton.	Townsend.	Tradesman's.	Union, Haverhill,

Average Condition of the Banks, &c.—Continued.

BANKS.		Capital Stock.	Loans and Dis- counts.	Specie in Bank.	Banks.	Due to other Banks.	Deposits.	Clrculation.
Jnion. of Weymouth	and							
Braintree.		\$150,000	\$266,842	\$5,743	\$15,731	ı	\$33,489	\$92,248
/illage.	٠	200,000	327,832	2,559	26,954	\$5,534	30,807	110,008
Valtham.	•	199,250	306,133	9,324	19,146	. 1	17,169	103,145
Vamesit.	•	150,000	279,446	4.698	35,857	10,000	35,907	130,318
Vareliam	•	100,000	198,761	3,684	15,831	551	49,765	85,685
Varren.		200,000	344,949	6.931	43,804	3.462	60,254	110,106
Vestern.		250,000	494,306	7,179	94,617	68,084	31,552	269,775
Westfield		150,000	273,985	4,066	36,856	2,841	005,111	144,217
Voburn.		100,000	196,251	9,162	31,010	. 1	37,667	92,806
Vorcester.		300,000	544,941	14,934	40,223	17.171	110,358	153,615
Vorcester County.		100,000	137,239	3,062	6,189		5,457	36,061
Vrentham,	•	150,000	242,041	5,815	10,995	ı	10,235	89,794
Totals,	•	\$24,951,318	\$43,586,006	\$934,450	\$3,817,068	\$460,061	\$5,522,253	\$15,949,038

\$182,242	177,025	274,501	215,478	204,373	52,939
\$272,630	202,468	267,349	201,905	225,543	31,903
\$118,692	92,621	1	103,235	263	1
\$182,801	90,895	173,106	169,721	69,523	55,300
\$43,009	36,714	23,345	83,892	25,207	5,678
\$837,840	906,539	1,137,964	1,600,434	756,407	156,141
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172,237	325,965	221,606	151,364	236,735	244,931	284,141	149,488	111,898	246,563	186,928	219,015	189,389	135,736	149,318	140,852	714,681	211,306	153,317	223,323	206,474	245,888	202,488	198,720	426,320	200,040	343,190	168,554	179,707	411,725	\$8,346,458
291,332	542.831	351,661	132,080	349,991	304,696	129,706	259,743	255,730	252,199	204,661	149,636	226,374	207,434	69,104	81,333	1,831,908	177,215	263,147	274,611	231,025	259,963	239,133	488,052	1,140,503	189,627	460,061	283,365	258,933	557,307	\$12,133,908
146,693	636,966	41,306	41,461	405,903	41,776	`	220,781	96,313	457,653	34,317	87,391	105,930	35,200	. 1	ı	826,295	33,041	165,550	103,933	70.789	77,440	217,729	74,639	542,686	173,679	242,086	191,074	11,023	36,556	\$5,399,293
156,667	527,856	123,192	88,123	282,311	117,191	54,197	199,189	140,259	529,195	108,662	111,632	161,916	115,300	35,903	33,456	871,256	150,164	186,099	148,559	167,043	154,109	168,382	255,989	1,632,513	102,826	202,390	199,043	99,413	217,359	\$8,232,469
57,737	145,027	60,572	22,423	90,404	31,468	26,091	134,960	27,234	41,055	19,178	33,576	40,273	41,439	27,677	15.559	332,430	37,680	74,903	54,465	20,255	47.944	49,477	106,029	200,881	37,569	78,253	67,643	31,063	76,711	\$2,261,805
1,494,643	2,882,665	1,208,523	674,630~	1,781,205	936,537	799,461	1,470,729	1,833,115	1,042,017	904,903	835,054	219:966	1,013,583	535,984	410,285	6,331,860	872,008	1,369.377	1,229,909	1,119,377	1,176,807	1,513,664	2,452,135	1,357,159	1,081,060	1,914,564	1,438,707	1,072,170	2,272,188	\$19,877,633
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